

COA Board Minutes
September 15, 2008

Present: J. Brusch, H.Dvorak,E.Hamann,N.Hegarty,J.Kantor,H.Kazarian,A.Lougee,
N.Niv-Vogel, J.Samuels, P.Solomon, A.Verilli

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Joel Samuels, Chair.
The minutes of the July and August Board Meetings were approved.

There were no senior concerns that were brought to the attention of the board.

General Announcements: the Board of Selectman have received five applications for the
3-5 open Board positions.

Springwell: No report due to lack of meeting in August

Directors Report Update: A representative of the Mobility Assistance Program of the
Department of Transportation inspected and arranged for correction of several
deficiencies of the new COA van.

It was noted that the number of rides and contributions is decreased over the year. It is
speculated that this is due to several flaws of the van as well as to an increase in the
amount of frail seniors in Belmont.

Interviews have begun to fill the positions of Senior Center Coordinator and
administrative assistant. Several Board members volunteered to participate in the
interview process.

For other announcements refer to the printed Directors Report

Senior Center Building Committee:

Currently the building project is approximately three weeks behind schedule. Once the
building becomes watertight, it is anticipated that this time will be made up.

Determinations of the yearly operating costs of the Senior Center still need to be
determined.

The estimated cost of the mandated security system for the new Senior Center is \$40,000.
\$10,000 had been budgeted for this system.

New Business:

In anticipation of her resignation, there is a need to replace Hildy Dvorak as liaison with
the Human Rights Commission.

It was voted to maintain the same Officers and Board members until such time when the
Board of Selectmen replaces the outgoing members. At the first meeting of the
reconstituted Board, a nominating committee will be formed. Elections for COA Board
Officers will be held at the following meeting.

The Board recognizes that it is an appropriate time to establish a process for the naming
of the new Senior Center building.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John L. Bruschi