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**Johnston Senior Citizens' Center Advisory Board**

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**Rhonda Sasa - Secretary**

**Minutes Peter Susi**

**Peter Lombardi, Jr.**

**The Johnston Senior Citizens Advisory Board held a meeting on Thursday, April 5th, 2012 at 4:30 pm at the Johnston Senior Center Board Room, 1291 Hartford Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919**

## **Roll Call**

**The meeting was called to Order by Rhonda Sasa at 4:36 PM.**

**Present were Director Anthony Zompa, Mildred Santilli and board members Gilbert Botelho, Rhonda Sasa, Peter Lombardi, Jr., Marsh Cotter and Peter Susi.**

**Approval of the minutes from the meeting held on November 3rd, 2011**

**Gilbert Botelho made a motion to approve the minutes as prepared by the Secretary, Rhonda Sasa.**

**The Motion was seconded by Peter Lombardi, Jr.**

**Motion carried; Final Vote: 5-0**

## **Director's Report**

**Director Anthony Zompa & Mildred Santilli discussed the many accomplishments since our last meeting and included in the discussion was the following items:**

**All board members were given hand-outs of the "Statistics for the year 01/01/2011 to 12/31/2011 for Age: 55 & Older" which reflects the percentages of Johnston Seniors from the Town of Johnston and from Out of State who attend the Senior Center. A discussion ensued regarding the growing numbers of Seniors now attending the Center which has increased to over 3000 members today.**

**Some topics of discussion were on completed projects such as: the new generator, the new Bingo board, the driveway has been sealed & relined, the sewer line was repaired and extra storage sheds were**

**attached to the existing shed.**

**Future projects were also discussed such as: Dryers in the bathrooms, the Home Depot Grant for construction of a raised garden, a sign for the front lawn, a cover for the front entrance and the possibility of a much needed expansion of the exercise room. A discussion ensued regarding the very high attendance of exercise classes which are in high demand. Many if not all classes are always full.**

**Lastly, coming events were discussed such as: the Nifty Ninety's, Woman's Expo, RI Bridge club and the Flag Day Celebration. Also the Farmers Market Program which will be scheduled during the Summer months.**

### **Chair Person's Report**

**Gena Bianco was not present.**

### **Old Business**

**Kathleen M. McKeon, Consultant for the Johnston Senior Center**

**updated the Board on the Strategic Plan to acquire the Accreditation for the Johnston Senior Center.**

**She discussed the action plan for the Senior Center and handed out to all board members copies of the “Self-Assessment Workbook - Facility” and “Self-Assessment Workbook- Fiscal Management”. Kathy proceeded to read each question and asked the Board for their input. The Board members ask questions and many discussions ensued. All board members agree that Kathy has done a tremendous job in preparing the Johnston Senior Center for the Accreditation process.**

**Setting of the next meeting date**

**May 3rd was scheduled as our next meeting date and Rhonda requested moving the time back to 4:00pm.**

**Peter Lombardi, Jr. made a motion. The motion was second by Gilbert Botelho**

**Motion carried; Final Vote 5-0**

**UPDATE: The Meeting was moved to May 10, 2012 due to scheduling problems for the Secretary, Rhonda Sasa**

**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn :**

**Gilbert Botelho made a motion to adjourn The motion was second by Marsha Cotter**

**Motion carried; Final Vote: 5-0**

**Meeting adjournment at 5:45pm**

**Attest:**

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**Rhonda Sasa,**

**Secretary of the Johnston Senior Center Advisory Board**