

Age-Friendly Community Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2025
5:00 p.m.

- I. Attendance – Leroy Walker, Jan Biron, Tina and Bill Eugley, Ed Burgess, Ben and Gabe Weisner, Stan Harmon, Frank Pippin, Diane Vincent, Sally Gagnon, Bob Cavanagh and Debbie Bechard
Absent: Belinda Gerry, Cindy Larrabee, Dana Morrell
- II. Review of Meeting Minutes from the January 14, 2025 meeting. Motion by Frank to accept as presented. Second by Bob Cavanagh. All in Favor
- III. Valentine’s Day Event – There are 115 people signed up. We will have Finger rolls, chips, olives, pickles, dessert and beverages. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 9:00 a.m. to set up. Door open at 10:00. Bingo will be played. Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m.
- IV. Renee is no longer with the Recreation Department so it was decided that there will be no movie until March. We will wait for the new person to come on board.
- V. Peanut butter for the homeless – Some members brought jars of peanut butter and jelly to the meeting. We will ask the senior groups to donate as well.
- VI. Open Session
 - A. Frank reported that there will be a Veteran’s breakfast on March 2nd from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Veterans are free. Spouses are \$5.00. It is held at the American Legion on Washington Street.
 - B. Debbie Bechard let us know that Dana has peanut butter for us. She will bring it to the next meeting. Also, Seniors Plus would love to do a presentation of what they offer. If we would like to schedule a presentation, we just need to give her a call. Leroy asked for a brochure of what they offer.
 - C. Ed Burgess reported that lots of homeless vets are being sorted out. They will be provided with campers, which are being built by a crew at the Maine State Prison. They need approximately 200 campers for the State of Maine Vets. They have electricity and use propane for heat. Ed met with the Chief of Volunteer Services who solicited him to call vets around the state to see how they’re doing, i.e. housing, mental status, alcoholism, etc. He got clearance through the government. This is all volunteer work.
 - D. Tina asked if we are doing tablecloths on Friday for the Valentine’s Day Event. We are.
 - E. Diane’s husband has had a stroke, so she hasn’t been able to be at the meetings. She is glad to be back.
 - F. Leroy reminded everyone that summer is coming. He mentioned having a lobster feed somewhere around the end of June or mid-July. Ben explained how it can be done. Must pay in advance. Some register and don’t pay, and then they don’t show up. We could see if it would be possible to use 121 Mill Street for this event. It has a cement floor and will have a new kitchen by May.
 - G. Frank asked the board to pay for Jan and Leroy to have a meal. Motion by Ben to approve. Second by Diane. All in favor.
- VII. Motion by Frank Pippin to adjourn. Second by Stan Harmon. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Biron, Secretary

