Senior Resources Committee Minutes of the Monthly Meeting May 5, 2026 5:15 PM

Location of Meeting:

Sunnycrest Conference Room

268 Mammoth Rd B Londonderry, NH

Present at meeting:

Members: Sherry Farrell, Chair; Valerie Brauer, Vice-Chair, Kelly McShane, Secretary; John Wilson, Elizabeth Robertson, Meridel Allen and Tom Walker

Alternate Members: Maryann Ryan and Laurie Miller

Liaisons: Ilona Arndt, Senior Center

Guests: Mrs. Walker

1. Call to Order

   The regular meeting of the Senior Resources Committee was called to order at 5:19 pm on May 5th motioned by Sherry.

2. Attendance and Verification of Quorum
3. Review and Acceptance, Minutes, April 7, 2026
   a. Motioned by John and seconded by Elizabeth.
4. Review of Updated Contact List and Meeting Time Change 5:15 pm. Discussion of Chairperson and Vice Chair positions.
   a. Sherry offered that if anyone was interested in either position to please speak up.
   b. Valerie announced that she would be stepping down as Vice Chair.
   c. Meridel offered to be Vice Chair.
   d. Sherry will continue as Chair.
5. Discussion of Old Home Day booth (Yes/No) Saturday, August 15, 2026.
   a. Ilona discussed having the senior luncheon at Orchard Christian Church. Benefits include up to 160 seating, parking, and a kitchenette. She will ask the Police about serving. They will play bingo first. Thank you to Laurie for the connection to Orchard Christian Church.
   b. The committee discussed that having a booth at Old Home Day was important for exposure and to promote the expo. The committee will discuss shifts at a future meeting.
   c. Based on last year's experience, the committee agreed to once again store things at the Morrison House. It will be important to bring a pop-up tent, the banner, a six foot table, give-aways, a nice poster for the expo on a tripod and flyers.

    d. Ilona will look into setting up a trolley.
    e. John brought up that we should help The Grange by perhaps having some of their information at our table. This idea was liked by Sherry and the committee.
6. Senior Expo, October 3rd, Update
    a. Maryann shared 6 new potential vendors for the expo that she gathered at the NH Home Show.
    b. The committee discussed charging a fee for a table at the expo to for-profit entities.
        i. Maryann researched other prices for tables at other health fairs around the country and found that prices range from $45 to $85 dollars.
        ii. Ilona shared that she thinks maybe 50% of vendors are for-profit. She will look at the list and will be able to give a better answer.
        iii. Ilona mentioned trying $100 a table and $0 for non-profit/government agencies.
        iv. Funds collected can be used to offset costs of the expo including food and refreshments.
        v. After discussing table fees, $50 to $100, the committee decided to hold off discussion until Ilona speaks with Justin from town about how fees can be collected legally and with correct documentation.
        vi. The committee agreed that for this year, we should keep things simple and just do one fee for for profit and free for non-profits and government agencies. We can still ask for a raffle basket.
    c. The group discussed the floor layout. Ilona and Patrick previously discussed copying the “Bring Back the Trades” expo floor plan that allowed for more zig-zagging.
    d. Sherry and Elizabeth mentioned that having the food in the middle in the past offered a welcoming and social environment.
    e. Valerie noted to make sure CART is at the expo. It would be a great opportunity for folks to tour the bus. John will reach out to CART.
7. Liaison Reports:
    a. Library- Sherry is actively seeking a new liaison from the library. The library is set to re-open end of summer.
8. New Business:
    a. Jim Green Award
        i. Sherry updated the committee that the plaque is up. We missed the original window in our policy to collect new award grantees nominations. We will discuss more at the next meeting.
    b. Sub-Commitee Warrant Article Priorities
        i. A sub-committee was formed including John, Meridel and Maryann.
    c. Sherry made the following announcements:
        i. There will be a rabies clinic this weekend where folks can register their dog(s) and get a rabies shot. All funds donated at this event get donated. Please spread the word.

ii. The last day to change your party affiliation is on June 2nd. Please do so before June 2nd and help spread the word.
iii. The Baldwin is having a blood drive on May 8. They are looking for more participants.

9. The next meeting will be held at 5:15 PM on June 2, 2026 in:

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The agenda for the next meeting is as follows: Sherry will send the agenda for the next meeting.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM by Laurie and seconded by Meridel.

Minutes Recorded by Kelly McShane