

**Minutes of the Egremont Council on Aging  
December 21, 2016 - Egremont Town Hall**

Present: B. Bernstein, Chair; H. Krancer; D. Salamon; G. Kinney; C. Delaney; M. Muskrat  
Meeting called to order at 1:00pm

1. New meeting time for January - Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM.
2. Minutes of November 19 COA meeting were approved with corrections to item 3: \$1400 in Special Fund; \$3537 in Town Fund. State funds for 2017 have not arrived yet.
3. Hockenberry event was a fine event even though it was not quite what was advertised. We will make a special effort to revisit the Holiday Party like 2015 with Henry Strozier.
4. Hour of Opera will be held on Sunday April 9 from 4 to 6 PM. There is a pianist from Romania scheduled. A reception will follow at the Delaney residence. A stipend of \$100 will be paid to the performer; plus a fee for the use of the Inn.
5. The sing along went a bit long but was well-attended (32 people).
6. Restaurant fund raiser was tabled for now.
7. Consumer Affairs education will be done through the TRIAD not the COA.
8. January 4<sup>th</sup> event: need sketch pads; Helen has some, will get 25; make sure council members are there at 11:15; the Snow Day will be January 5; a stipend will be paid to the presenter.
9. S. Martin (Berkshire Regional Planning Commission) brought up Senior Housing issues in the area; a discussion followed about the COA supporting a proposed study of the issue. There will be discussion about this at the meeting at Town Hall on January 9 at 7:00PM.
10. Chet will write a letter to Roger the Jester thanking him for the recent event. The event host should be charged with writing the thank you letters.
11. Next COA meeting will be January 17 at 1:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Eve Goldberg