AARP CHAPTER 1917 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FOR October11, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Sue Harting at 10:00AM.

Our speaker was Tom Oneto, President of the Ocean City Aviation Association. Tom, along with John Stepenoff, presented a slide presentation on the Huey helicopter now completely restored and stationed at the Ocean City Airport. The Huey was used in the most dangerous conditions during the Viet Nam War for medical evacuations.

David Recor, the new Ocean City Town Manager gave some background on himself. He talked of the new section of the Convention Center opening in November which will provide a view of Assawoman Bay. The next phase of construction will be a 1200 seat performing arts center. He stated that a comprehensive strategic plan will be underway in Ocean City and that the Town will be recruiting for a new Police Chief and Planning Director.

Communications chair, Garry Fox, mentioned that the problem with Comcast blocking the use of emails identifying our web site had been resolved. Wearing his **Nominations** chair hat, Garry stated that Bob McCluskey and Sandy Kvech had been nominated for a three-year board term and a position was still open for a one-year term. Elections will be held in November.

Membership chair, Louise Fox, stated that no information from our member files is shared with anyone. Early registration for 2013 dues is \$5 through December. Dues will be increased to \$7 in January.

Secretary Andrea Albrecht asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes due to time constraints. Motion was made and approved by all.

Treasurer's Report. Bill Shoop reported balances ending for September are: General Fund –\$10,527.54, Health Fair - \$828.02, Travel - \$18,080. The report was approved as presented.

A Fall Fest and Candidates Forum update was given by Sue Harting.

Sue Harting announced that Debi McCluskey had agreed to accept the **Sunshine Lady** position temporarily. Anne Cooley said she would accept the position.

Travel chair Alcea Sprung announced that a new survey for 2013 trips was given to all attendees. She also stated that more sign ups were needed for the Longwood Gardens trip. Alcea also stated that she had Blood Bank membership forms available. Andrea Albrecht announced that the lunch and site visit to the OC Airport was still on for after the meeting.

Good of the Order. It was requested that cell phones be turned off during the meeting. Sandy Kvech announced that there would be an extra drawing of the 50/50 at the December meeting for a free year of membership dues. Anyone already paying will have the dues refunded.

50/50 won by Andrea Albrecht - \$38 to Andrea, \$38 to the Chapter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Albrecht, Recording Secretary