

TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO RETIREES INSURANCE GROUP (MRIG)
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NOTICE MRIG ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014

The Middleboro Retirees Insurance Group (MRIG) Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at 1:30 PM. The meeting will be at the Senior Multi-Service Center (COA), 558 Plymouth Street Middleboro, MA.

Below is the slate of Executive Committee candidates as put forward by the Nominating Committee. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Charles Armanetti	George Chace	Mary Cook	Madeline Davern
Barbara Hadsell	Sue McCusker	Harry Pickering	June Rogers
Gene Turney	Gail Twomey	Betty Wainwright	

The Executive Committee would like to thank Patty Lacerda for volunteering to serve on the Nominating Committee.

BY LAW CHANGES

At the MRIG Annual Meeting to be held on May 20th the following proposed changes to the By-Laws will be presented to be voted upon:

Article III
Governance

Section 1: The governing body shall be an executive committee of between seven and eleven members elected at the May annual meeting for a term of one year.

Amend to:

Section 1: The governing body shall be an executive committee of between seven and eleven voting members and no more than three non-voting Alternate Members elected at the May Annual Meeting for a term of one year.

Article IV
Meetings

Section 1: An annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday in May at a location and time to be determined by the chairman and executive committee.

Amend Section 1: An annual meeting shall be held in May at a location and time to be determined by the chairman and executive committee.

Article VI
Duties of Officers

Add Section 5: Alternate members will remain abreast of current health insurance issues and be available to assume the duties of a member of the Executive Committee.

VOTE ON DISPERSAL OF REMAINING MITIGATION FUNDS

The Executive Committee has discussed various ways of providing Medicare Retirees with the remaining Medicare Mitigation Funds set aside by the Town in 2012. In the past we supported a mix of reimbursements for premium reduction and Tier 3 prescription reimbursements. At our last meeting, the Executive Board was unable to come to a unanimous agreement on how to disperse the funds. It was agreed to present for a vote at the MRIG Annual Meeting a motion to choose one of the following two dispersal methods.

Option 1: To ask the Town to set aside 10% of the Mitigation Fund for Tier 3 Prescription Drug Reimbursements and use the remainder for premium reduction for a period of 6 months in an amount equally divided between all Medicare subscribers.

Option 2: To ask the Town to reduce premium payments for a period of 6 months in an amount equally divided between all Medicare subscribers, thus depleting all Medicare Mitigation Funds set aside for Medicare retirees.

A vote will be taken of the attendees at the Annual Meeting and the option receiving the majority of votes will go to the Town Manager for agreement.

DONATION TO COUNCIL ON AGING FOOD PANTRY

The COA has been most helpful to us by providing us a meeting place at no cost whenever we have asked. As a “thank you”, we are asking that anyone attending the meeting consider bringing a donation to the COA food program. The COA’s Executive Director, Andrea Priest, suggested the following items:

List for COA, Can You Help:

Coffee (regular and decaf)	Lemonade and Juice Mixes	Napkins
Aluminum Lasagna Pans	Cooking Spray	Bags of Hard Candy

List for Food Pantry:

Pudding Cups (sugar-free and regular)	Smaller containers of Mayonnaise
Nutritious Cereals	Small cans/cups of fruit in juice
Small cups of Applesauce	

Because parking is limited, the COA has asked that those who can carpool please try to do so.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

An update will be given on the legal issues we are involved in.

We encourage everyone who can, to attend this meeting. Your support of our efforts, on your behalf, is necessary to make it a Town priority to keep the health insurance promise made to us through our working years and into retirement.

Following the meeting is a great time to get together with other retirees, former co-workers and catch up on their activities.

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MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION – 2014 - \$5.00

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ADDRESS: _____

CITY/TOWN: _____

ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

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