

HAVENWOOD RESIDENT ASSOCIATION
March 10, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Chair Karen Juall.

The Rev. Michelle DeCoste opened by reading the poem Manifesto: The Mad Farmer Liberation Front by Wendell Berry.

MSV: to approve minutes of the January 13, 2026 meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gini Barss reported there were no expenses in January; in February the Recycling Committee spent \$45 and the Super Bowl party had food costs of \$132.02, leaving a balance of \$2,697.98 in the Association account.

New residents were introduced and welcomed: Carol Lambert (400s), Ann and Dick Ludder, (100s), Sandy Davis (200s), and Bill Twibill (Lodge).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOUSE AND GROUNDS: Mary Hamblett reported plans are being made for Earth Day on April 22. The main focus this year will be to clean up areas after a long winter. Our new landscape director will be working on plans with Nicole and the area representatives. Volunteer work will take place for 2 hours in the morning to be followed by a barbecue for all. All areas reported they were happy with the plowing done this winter. The Granite State Senior Games will hold a Bocce tournament at Havenwood this summer; work will be done to make our courts level and smooth. Problems with Comcast and the internet were discussed. Nicole and Mike have been meeting monthly with Comcast representatives regarding our needs and concerns. The T coil will be installed in the Auditorium in April over a two week period. There was discussion regarding resident assistance with technology issues. A get well card for Mark Jenks was signed by all.

ARTS: Cy Sherman reported a display of American Southwest items is now up and being enjoyed along Main Street. There is still space so anyone wanting to contribute to the display may call her.

SOFT PLASTIC: Marcia Lee reported the collecting of soft plastic continued all through the winter's cold, snow and ice. The Committee always welcomes new volunteers.

DINING: Joan Henderson reported the Committee meets every first Wednesday and all residents are welcome. Dining staff is planning to try changing the noon seating arrangements in the main dining room so that residents may move around and get to know their neighbors,. The next theme meal will be on March 16 with an Irish Pub theme. The next Dinner at the Four Seasons will be March 27 with the menu to be announced. Those interested in attending should contact Leslie Minchon.

RECYCLING: Joan Henderson reported for Nanci Mitchell on the joint Recycling Committee. The battery containers at Havenwood, Heritage Heights, and LAL have produced 902 pounds of batteries that will not end up in landfill. The Committee has been investigating the recycling of textiles and recently sponsored a program by Joe Whitten of Apparel Impact. Textile collection days have been set for May 13 from 1-3 and May 16 from 9-11 at the Maintenance sheds on both campuses. Residents are asked to continue to donate their best and most saleable items to the L&B Country Store but other well worn items - sheets, towels, footwear, backpacks, and accessories, may be given to the company which distributes anything useable to those in need and separates fibers of all else for other uses such as insulation.

Plant pots are not recyclable at HHH. The Committee has been collecting them and taking to the Concord transfer station. They will continue to do so if the station does actually recycle them. Small electronics cannot go in the trash. There will be another collection of such items September 9 and 12; items will be taken to Aurum in Goffstown where they are recycled.

The Committee is making new posters to include paper and plastic cups as recyclable. There is a new quiz on the bulletin board. The committee is happy to answer any questions.

It was noted there is also a place to donate used eyeglasses.

The 400 area recently purchased a compost bin; the 300 area has one as well. HHH has no plan to start composting food waste but it may be done on an individual basis.

LIBRARY: Shirley Lamarre reported 15 new books have been purchased. Committee members have been moving books around to make more space.

PROGRAMS: Joyce Morrison reported the Committee has been working on travel opportunities. There will be a Diamond Tour bus trip to Cape Cod on their large bus in June and they hope to expand on travel possibilities. Linda Fraser will present a scarf tying class on March 19 in the Great Room. There will be an Easter Parade on April 5 at 10 AM in the HSC. Residents may decorate hats on March 27 from 10-12 in the Sewing Room with materials provided. The hats will be modeled in the Parade. There will be a Paint & Sip on March 18. A variety of free spring craft programs will be held on Wednesday mornings in the sewing room on Dogwood Court.

WELLNESS: Gini Barss reported there had been a Wellness in Winter program that had unfortunately been scheduled on the same day as an Administrator's Chat. The Wellness Fair will be on May 23 from 2-4. Heritage Heights may turn their croquet court into a Bocce one.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON RESIDENT PROFILES: Marianne Jennings reported the Profiles books are now located in the Library next to the fireplace. All letters have been sent out to those residents who are missing a photo and/or written information. Marianne and her committee of Norma Woodbury and Cy Sherman were thanked for doing an excellent job.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Nicole Valente reported the Havenwood census is good; there are nine vacancies with two notices expected. Five units are reserved and she expects to add another this week. There are only three vacancies in the Lodge.

Installation of the T coil in the Auditorium is scheduled to begin April 7 and take about two weeks. Scheduled activities in the Auditorium will be relocated during that time. She will send out information on T Coil use as residents must have the coil in their hearing aid and have it activated by their audiologist.

Earth Day will be celebrated April 22 with area clean-ups from 9-11 and a barbecue. Ron will be talking with the areas to determine what equipment and staff assistance will be needed.

The Granite State Senior Games will have the Bocce tournament here on September 16. A little under 20 have signed up already and there will likely be more from outside the community. Mike wants to organize another table tennis tournament; anyone wanting to participate should contact her or Mike.

She and Mike have been meeting monthly with Comcast individuals to help them understand our community and its needs. She asked residents to let her know if they were having issues.

There will be installation of fire dampers in the Health Services Center beginning March 23 and lasting about 20 weeks.

The updated Resident Handbook has been sent to the printer and she hopes it will be out early in April. It was asked if there could be an electronic version or one on the portal. She will talk with Jane Poitras about that possibility.

It was asked if there could be updated printed sheets of photos of the personnel in each department; she will check with Programs.

The next chat has been changed to March 23 at 1:30. She noted the Rick Woolett has compiled a book of artwork from the HHH Art Club members that is in the lobby.

It was asked where the barbecue would be held but it will be dependent on snow conditions.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Karen announced that per our by-laws we are required to have a Nominating Committee present a slate of candidates for positions for the next term. The positions of Vice Chair and Secretary are due to expire this year. These are two year terms; an officer may serve more than one term. She has named Joyce Foley, Sandi Lee, and Leo Van Beaver to the Nominating Committee. A vote will take place at the May Association meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia McLeod
Secretary