

Council on Aging Meeting
8.4.2021

1. Call to order 1:40
2. Reading of Open Meeting Law by Chair, Mary Anne Easley
3. Establish quorum (present)
 - a. Mary Anne Easley - chair
 - b. Alison K. Forsgren - vice chair
 - c. Vanessa Larrabee
 - d. Judith Perkins
 - e. Suzi Spring
 - f. Nancy Swain
 - g. Kendra Lockley

Staff present: Laura Stewart

Jerico Mele: Director of Human Services (initially but called out and had to leave)

Not present:

Diane Flaherty-secretary

Linda Williams

Approval of minutes for July 7,2021 was moved to the next meeting Sept.1,2021 as minutes were not available. motion made by Suzi to approve seconded by Alison, unanimous vote, motion carries

Election of officers:

Mary Anne was unanimously nominated to remain as our Chairperson, nominated by Kendra, seconded by Alison motion carried

Diane Flaherty was nominated by Suzy to remain as Secretary, Vanessa seconded unanimous vote motion carries, as well as Alison Forsgren remaining as Vice Chairperson, nominated by Kendra, seconded by Suzi, Alison accepted and motion carried.

Official business

Federal Grants have been submitted to ESCCI as of our meeting/ 8.4.21

Alison shared that the grant application for Memory Cafe was written by Jackie Lane & Sue Mittenthal. Mary Anne submitted a grant application for Senior Modification Program. Seniors have been identified by NFD as good candidates to have "modification" applied to their homes: examples: non-slip tiles in bathrooms, outside ramps, light bulbs etc.

Both grants could be accepted/ \$ 7,000.00 for Memory Cafe and \$7,500.00 for Senior Modification.

Adult Health Fair Report

Formerly known as Elder Expo/ to take place 9.25.21

Representatives from COA and NCEA were present for the initial meeting with the Hospital. Visiting nurses will help in administering flu shot vaccines as in years past. This will be a flu shot only event. It was suggested for the next "health fair" meeting, extending an invite to Town Officials from the Health Dept that it would be helpful to attend.

Saltmarsh Update Report Laura Stewart (program coordinator)

Back to mask mandate Town and Saltmarsh.

few people attending in person games/

Nancy Swain good virtual attendance. Hannah n/a

Progress moves on with the renovations on Saltmarsh building/ Very slowly

Land Council walks were well attended but now on hold.

Hearing aid bookings thru Hearing Lady and Home Health Care

Mary Anne requested once high season is over to see if possible to bring back the "driveway coffee and muffin" program again. \$1500 in kitty should be doable for small effort and big returns. Laura on it.

Staying Safe at Saltmarsh

Alison Update Report:

Outreach to seniors, show what is out there:

Nantucket Wheelers/ Memory Cafe

NCEA:

Mary Anne: COA rep.

very little happening..Sending pictures (thru Laura) to COA board of the SM reno progress

Motion to adjourn at 3:00

Motion to adjourn by Vanessa seconded by Kendra / motion unanimous meeting closed

Thank you.