

COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Veteran's Memorial Building, Rm 19
2900 Main Street, Millis, MA 02054
MEETING NOTES FROM May 12, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Maria called the meeting to order at 9:06 am.

The following persons were present:, COA Director Patty Kayo, Chairperson Maria Neville, Secretary Helen Daly, Brooks Corl, Bill Brown, Carol LaFreneire, Chris McCaffrey, Lisette Walter

Secretary's report accepted

Motion to accept report made by Maria, seconded by Helen

Treasurer's Report

- Formula Grant revisions not yet completed – will be included in June's report
- All funds will be worked down to -0- out any monies not used would go back to the General Fund
- Service Warranty is paid at the beginning of each Fiscal year

HESSCO Report

- April meeting covered Fund Raising – working to connect people to music – case workers bringing patients to performances
- “Changing Ageing” discussed along with “Disrupting Dementia” June 15th at Foxboro – Dr. Bill Thomas presenting
- HESSCO budget was discussed – Meals on Wheels budget cuts will not affect our area
- Protective Services being cut back – call HESSCO regional center in Worcester – case worker may now go to investigate at residence without a prior phone call
- Contract with GPS monitoring (for people with dementia) - Phillips Life Line at a cost of \$49.00 per month
- Brigham & Women's Center – Foxboro will be offering “Opioid Crisis” talk on 5/17

Outreach Report:

- Fuel Assistance ends on 5/12 – Carol has a total of 22 this year as opposed to 40 applicants last year
- If needed Carol will refer people to HESSCO or the Millis Fund for assistance
- Carol is the only Town resource for need to any age applicant (there is also a counselor in the school system for minors)

Director's Report

- Sky Buffet is set for the Annual Volunteer's Luncheon to be held on 6/2 at Noon – invitations will be mailed on Monday 5/15/17
- Chris , Brooks and Liz have volunteered to help on Monday with the mailing
- Selectman McCaffrey has requested recommendation for the 2 new members (Chris and Liz)
- Mother's Day flowers and sandwiches will be offered on Monday 5/15. Chris will help Patty cook and Carol Fetter will get flowers

Chairman's Report

- Maria reports that they will be doing a survey at the Library regarding Programming
- Would it be possible to hold luncheons, possibly get food from the school or sandwich platters for Roche Bros? In the past we have asked HESSCO to provide alternate meals to cover special function days – possibly hold on Tuesdays?

- Patty reports that Restaurant Depot will be building a facility in Milford (services only non-profits) and where Patty has gotten discounted food for functions before.
- Patty will announce Tuesday to be “Sandwich Day” during months of July and August – she will contact Donna Cabbibo, Cable and the Gazette for publicity.

Old Business

- June - August COA will offer “Ice Cream Social” every Wednesday and Fridays at Noon.
- Father’s Day, June 16th at Noon a cook out will be offered – hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream, corn hole and horse shoes
- Tax work off saw one person drop out who was the back up for Bill & Bob – now using Bill Raymond to help out

New Business

- Debbie Varga has volunteered to be the new Trip Coordinator and will work with Medfield and Holliston to arrange upcoming trips.
- Carol Kerwin Mushnick has volunteered to help with Blood Pressure calls on Wednesdays
- Pre-Town Meeting scheduled for 10:30 AM on 6/1 at the COA. Selectman Jim McCaffrey and Finance Committee member Peter Jermain have agreed to attend. The Friends will provide refreshments.
- Brooks reports that The Friends are in desperate need of new members as they now have 3 active members (they need a total of 6 members to remain viable). They meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 AM for approximately 1 ½ hours.
- Chris will set up a COA informational tri-folder to be handed out at Town Meeting with input from Patty – they will set up a time to get together.
- Maria suggests that the Millis Temple may be a possible meeting place for the Seniors? Jim Neville will check with Jeff Mushnick regarding the possibility? Chris asked if the ST. Thomas Large Hall would be of any use??

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Maria at 10:15

**Next COA Board Meeting: June 9, 2017
at 9:00 AM – VMB Room 19**