

**Meeting of the Northborough Council on Aging
March 6, 2016 7:00 Senior Center**

The role of the Northborough Council on Aging is to maintain or increase the quality of life for the mature citizens of our community. We do this through support advocacy, planning, coordination, and implementation of programs that bring mature citizens together for social, recreational, and educational purposes. We seek to educate the entire community and enlist its support and participation.

- 1. Call to Order:** A meeting of the Council on Aging of the Town of Northborough was called to order at 7:00 PM by, Adrienne Cost, Chair with the following also present:

Tony Pini, Member	Phylis Muthee Member
Linda Cragin, Member	Muriel Swenor, Friends
Ed Bombard, Member	Kelly Burke, Senior Center Director
Jerry Anderson, Member	

The following were not present: Alice Stapelfeld,

- 2. Approval of the Minutes:** The minutes for the February 2016 meeting were approved.

3. Friends' Report

The planning for the road race with Rotary on May 1st is going well, they are looking for sponsorships. The Friends are starting to plan for their 25th Anniversary annual meeting, with a presentation from Iron Mountain on what they do.

4. Director's Report

Kelly provided several updates on new programs. The St. Patrick's Day dinner is sold out, Five Wishes will be discussed on March 29th, a new diabetes group starts in April, and the new chorale group has started. The new library director will be visiting the center and all new computers are installed ! The 1st Action Team meeting for Come3B Dementia Friendly met with 11 attendees.

5. WRTA Advisory Report

The WRTA has hired a new executive director, Jonathan Church.

6. Bay Path Report

Jerry shared that Bay Path has their Annual Breakfast planned for 10/26. They will be going through a review with Elder Affairs and have a meeting planned with COA/Senior Center directors to get to know each other and Bay Path staff. They are reviewing the financial outcomes of all programming.

7. Old Business

No report.

8. Community Awareness

The newsletter continues to be a great communication tool.

9. New Business

Jerry asked about a formal meeting to discuss Friends/COA/Senior Center shared interests and what would be useful for upgrading the physical plant, developing new program ideas, and promoting future efforts. After discussion, it was agreed that this was the appropriate meeting. Ideas were discussed including looking at the need for exterior repairs, developing an online registration process, utilize ServTracker better to develop utilization statistics, and translate activities into impact statements.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Linda Cragin, Secretary