

COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Veteran's Memorial Building, Rm 19
900 Main Street, Millis, MA 02054
MEETING NOTES FROM January 8, 2021 – ZOOM Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Bert called meeting to order at 9:03

The following persons were present:, COA Director Patty Kayo, Secretary Helen Daly, Becky Poynot, Chris McCaffrey, Elizabeth Derwin, Lizette Walter, Bert Lannon

Secretary's Report

Motion to accept Chris – Second Liz

Treasurer's Report

- No big changes – will have completed report ready for next meeting

HESSCO Report

- Patty e-mailed Bonnie has not heard back as yet. Elizabeth volunteered to sit in on their meetings on a temp basis. Patty will double check to verify their meeting dates and let Elizabeth know.

Outreach Report:

- Becky has handled 176 duplicate services and 71 unduplicated
- Becky, Patty and Linda went to Kennedy Terrace and Willow Brook to bring Christmas cards, cookies to all residents
- Had scheduled a coffee chat the first of January – no one signed up
- No interest for the virtual game day or the Scavenger Hunt – will try again
- Asked suggestions for Valentine's Day
- Blood Pressure now has 4 people
- Dr. Cooper missed last month's date – came the next week. He gets paid by each person. Patty will check to see if he is still interested in supporting the senior center

Director's Report:

- See Old Business

Chairmen's Report

- No report

Old Business

- 2022 Tax Work Off program will be discussed next Thursday at a joint meeting of the Board of Health and the Town Administrator with Patty. Patty is leaving it up to the Dept. heads as to when to use the volunteers – some may be able to work remotely or some will have their positions on hold until it is safe to resume.
- Patty has not heard from Abacuss – it was noted at the last meeting that Annie would be busy until the end of January.
- Bert noted that the Milford News posted an article about Millis residents not being happy with their tax bill.
- A virtual acrylic art class will be offered and the Friends have OK'd the cost of materials which would be about \$35.00 per person including canvas, paints, brushes. The participants will be charged \$15.00 each. There will be 20 slots offered. Classes will be offered by Canvas & Cup of Westboro.
- Chris suggested that perhaps a virtual baking or cooking class may be offered? Would Kathy be willing to host it??

New Business

- Lions Club is looking to offer something as they were not able to host the Seniors at their Annual Christmas luncheon.
- Bert suggest a “Swag Bag” which was handed out to the Veterans. It held 10-12 items. Suggested was either Valentine’s Day or St. Patrick’s Day – the Lions could set up a table at Kennedy Terrace, Willow Brook and or the Town Hall and hand out bags which could include Word Search book, small 50 piece puzzles, pens/pencils, chap stick, hand creams, hand sanitizer, etc.
- Newsletter labels – Patty thanked Elizabeth for her help with the highlighting problem. She checked with the Post Office and found that it’s OK to highlight on the first line of the address – it was decided to add a \$ sign after the name to identify those that are not up to date on their dues.
- Chris suggested that all workers take note of any label containing the name of someone who is no longer in town and remove their labels so that we can update the list on a monthly basis.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM

**Next COA Board Meeting: FRIDAY February 12, 2021
9:00 AM– via ZOOM until further notice**