

Council on Aging Meeting Minutes for February 2, 2022

1. Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 1:35

11. Reading of Remote Meeting Law by Mary Anne Easley.

111. Establish Quorum:

PRESENT:

Chair - Mary Anne Easley

Vice Chair-Alison K Forsgren

Vanessa Larrabee

Kendra Lockley

Judith Perkins

Suzi Spring

Nancy Swain

Linda Williams

ABSENT:

Secretary: Diane Flaherty

Staff Present:

Jerico Mele

Laura Stewart

IV. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve by Alison, Second by Linda. Vote was unanimous, motion carries.

V. Approval of January 2022 Meeting minutes:

Secretary not at meeting, we will discuss minutes and vote at our March meeting

Official Business

Grant application for senior modifications - Mary Anne met with Deputy Fire Chief Mitchell who will work with us handing out cards to seniors informing them of this grant. She also talked to Jamison Heist of NCH Physical Therapy who will participate with us to help with appropriate home modifications. The grant is 7,000 dollars to spend on parts and labor. We have one handy man.

The second grant we have available is for caregivers to use for themselves. The grant is for \$ 7, 200 dollars and will be used by end of June 2022. Motion was made by Mary Anne to give her and Vice Chair Alison Forsgren power to meet with applicants and approve their requests, Jerico will be third deciding vote. Motion to approve made by Kendra, second by Nancy. All voted yea except for Linda who abstained. Motion carries

VI: Report on Human Services and Covid 19 by Jerico Mele:

Plans for The Nantucket Behavior Health Center continues to move forward.

In Covid news, anyone 12 or older can now get 1, 2 and third doses of vaccinations. This is at the trailer at old fire station

VII Report of Saltmarsh by Laura Stewart:

Construction continues. Kitchen and hallways painted. New floors installed with new lights, fans, and fire detectors to be installed

Fitness classes still being zoomed

Brenda Johnson will be meeting with Saltmarsh once a month, via zoom regarding plans for Our Island Home, and Saltmarsh, providing us new information and to answer any questions.

VIII: Massachusetts Council on Aging Annual Walk by Alison K Forsgren:

Application to enroll and tracking of walking distance done on line. Date is May 1, through October 31, 2022.

This is to recognize councils on aging in Massachusetts. Prizes will be given, and our Nantucket Council on Aging could win 1,000 dollars. Alison will provide more information at next meeting.

IX: Dementia Friendly Nantucket by Alison K Forsgren:

PASCON still interested in assisting with Memory Cafe

X: Elder Services for Cape Cod and Islands by Alison K Forsgren:

Mary Ann Ryan new Executive Director

No care manager on Nantucket

519 people waiting for services on Cape and Islands

May 10, 2022, Elder Services will be 50 years old.

NCEA by Mary Anne Easley

Event planning for reopening of Saltmarsh at the Saltmarsh is being discussed. 2021 seniors of the year will be recognized.

New director is Rachel Day

Annual Mailing List Fund raised 38,000 dollars.

XI Adjournment:

Motion made to adjourn made by Jude, second by Vanessa. Vote was unanimous, motion Carrie's.