



Town of Georgetown

MINUTES

Committee: Georgetown Council on Aging_____

Date: February 28, 2023_____

Time: __12:45 p.m._____

Location: Georgetown Senior Community Center, 51 North Street, Georgetown, MA

Members & Staff present: Jean Perley, , Jeanne Robertson, Sue Gardiner, Jill Benas, Diane Klibansky, Darcy Norton, Sue Clay and COA Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello

Members not present: __ Martha Lucius, Esther Palardy, and Diane Prescott ____

The meeting was called to order at: __12:47 p.m._____

Minutes from the January 24, 2023_____ Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with one correction
(Date)

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Colleen reported that COVID-19, flu, upper respiratory infections and norovirus cases continue locally. COA Staff continues to follow health protocols and provide assistance and continues to distribute COVID-19 test kits donated by AgeSpan and the Town. The proposed \$209,423 FY24 budget has been submitted including a request for a third full time staff member as well as equitable wages for staff. A budget hearing has not yet been scheduled. The HVAC located in the cafeteria is not working. School Facilities Dept. attempted to address the issue. ATCO has been called for a repair. The new on-line state Ethics Training for board members and staff is going well. Available through April 13, 106 appointments for AARP Income Tax Preparation have already been scheduled for local and out of town consumers. The Matter of Balance program is underway through Mar. 9 with 15 participants. The Feb. Traveling Chef was successful with in-person dining for 31 participants. A handmade quilt by Fran Przyjemski was raffled. The COA Friends sponsored musicians Joe LeBlanc and Dick Boucher for the lunch. A well-attended Valentine Lunch with Whittier Reg. Voc. Tech. was held on Thurs. Feb. 9. The COA has received a \$2,295 MIIA Health grant for a Spirit Elliptical for the COA Fitness Center. A consultant has been hired to study ADA accessibility issues in town facilities. Colleen met with the team on Feb. 15 and toured the Senior Center. Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco sent information regarding a possible outdoor fitness center that could be built behind the Senior Center. Board members questioned if the outdoor fitness plan would be appropriate and used by older adults. They asked how it would be monitored and supervised and said an outdoor walking path would be better utilized. Upcoming events include: nutrition program on Mar. 8; St. Patrick's Day lunch with music by Roger Tinknell sponsored by the Georgetown Cultural Council and the COA Friends on Mar. 14; Money Management/Protective Services Program on Apr. 11; U.S. Rep. Moulton Legislative Aide on April 18 and the COA Friends Women's Breakfast on Apr. 25. The COA Friends will assist with the Mar. 14 lunch, provide paper products and update the bulletin board. In a motion by Diane Klibansky with a second by Jeanne Robertson, board members accepted the Treasurer's report. In a motion by Darcy Norton with a second by Jill Benas, board members accepted the Director's report.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- Secretary's Report for January 24, 2023
- Treasurer's Report to date February 28, 2023
- Director's Report for February 2023

Documents and Other Exhibits used at meeting will be available for review at: Council on Aging_____ (Office)

Meeting was adjourned at: __1:36 p.m._____

Next meeting: Date: March 28, 2023_____

Time: __12:45 p.m._____

Place: Georgetown Senior Community Center, 51 North Street, Georgetown, MA

Respectfully submitted: Chairman: Sue Clay

(Signature)

Minutes approved by Committee on: __ March 28, 2023_____

(Date)