



# Town of Georgetown

# MINUTES

Committee: Georgetown Council on Aging\_\_\_\_\_

Date: April 25, 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, Darcy Norton, Sue Clay Martha Lucius, Esther Palardy, Diane Prescott, Jill Benas and COA Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello

Members not present: Diane Klibansky \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting was called to order at: \_\_12:46 p.m.\_\_\_\_\_

Minutes from the March 28, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with one correction  
(Date)

## Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Colleen reported that COVID-19 cases continue locally. COA Staff continues to follow health protocols and continues to distribute COVID-19 test kits donated by state DPH. Including a request for a third full time staff member as well as equitable wages for staff, the proposed \$209,423 FY24 budget was presented by Colleen and Sue Clay to the Finance Committee on March 15. The need for another staff member has been recognized by Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco. ATCO repaired the HVAC units located in the cafeteria and third small conference room. The single door freezer is not working correctly. Knightland Refrigeration has been called for a repair. The AARP Income Tax Preparation concluded April 13, and served 130 consumers. AgeSpan representatives presented a program on Money Management and Protective Services. The COA Board will present a slate of officers at the May meeting. Chair Sue Clay and Secretary Jill Benas said they would step down from their respective positions. Colleen will apply for a state grant to purchase 3 laptops and five tablets for older adult use at the Senior Center. The EOEA announced COAs are able to apply for up to \$100,000 for Enhancing Digital Literacy for Older Adults. Keller William Realtors will provide free yard work for seniors as their day of service on May 11. There have been additional issues with youth from the Youth Center entering the Senior Center during hours that the Senior Center is closed. Additional locks are planned and signs will be posted. Darcy Norton said she will sell COA cookbooks at Crosby's on May 20 and June 17, 11 a.m. -2 p.m. Elder Law Attorney Jason Ebacher will present a program on Elder Law on Wed. May 17. Upcoming events include: a Memory Café on May 2; Blood Pressure Clinic, May 3 and May 31; Postage Stamp Craft, May 9; U.S. Rep. Moulton, Sen. Tarr and Rep. Kassner office hours, May 16; Traveling Chef Lunch and Learn Scam and Fraud Program with GPD, Tues. May 16, and Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, May 23 and COA Friends Music Bingo, May 30. COA Friends sponsored a successful Women's Breakfast on Apr. 25. The COA Friends will update the bulletin board for May's Older American Month with the theme of "Aging Unbound." In a motion by Darcy Norton with a second by Jeanne Robertson, board members accepted the Treasurer's report. In a motion by Martha Lucius with a second by Esther Palardy, board members accepted the Director's report.

## List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- Secretary's Report for March 28, 2023
- Treasurer's Report to date April 25, 2023
- Director's Report for April 2023

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

Meeting was adjourned at: \_\_1:38 p.m.\_\_\_\_\_

Next meeting: Date: May 23, 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: \_\_ May 23, 2023\_\_\_\_\_

(Date)