



Town of Georgetown

MINUTES

Committee: Georgetown Council on Aging_____

Date: January 26, 2021_____

Time: __12:30 p.m._____

Location: Broadcast on Georgetown Cable TV via BlueJeans Verizon channel 42/Comcast channel 9

Members & Staff present: Esther Palardy, Jean Perley, Diane Klibansky, Darcy Norton, Jeanne Robertson, Martha Lucius, Marie Collins, Jill Benas, Sue Clay and COA Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello

Members not present: Diane Prescott

The meeting was called to order at: __12:30 p.m._____

Minutes from the December 22, 2020_____ Meeting were reviewed and approved with one adjustment (attendance).
(Date)

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Colleen reported money received by the Town from the Federal CARES Act has covered the purchase of some facility COVID updates such as touchless faucets, paper towel dispensers, masks, gloves, hand sanitizing stations and sneeze guards at the Senior Center. Issues with the cafeteria heaters/AC units were presented to Mike Anderson, Director of School Facilities. He recommended replacing the units with one wall unit for \$1,800. The proposal was approved by Town Administrator Mike Farrell and will be installed by the School Facilities Dept. Applications for this year's Tax Incentive Program are complete. Positions have been filled. Two remaining openings should be filled by Oct. 31. Income Tax preparation appointments are being scheduled. The program will run Feb. 18-April 16. Participants will have telephone interviews and will be scheduled to drop off and pick up their documents on the same day at the Senior Center. Participants will not leave their cars. Over 40 people have signed up for the no-fee service. A grant for outreach and nutrition from ESMV has been extended until April. This allows the COA Food Pantry to stock up paper products, non-perishable food and personal hygiene and plan themed distribution within the community. Organized by Our Neighbor's Table in Amesbury, a regional grant to address food insecurity is moving forward with some capital items but will not include a centralized food hub location at this time. The \$175,859 Annual COA Budget for FY22 was reviewed. In a motion by Diane Klibansky with a second by Darcy Norton, the budget was approved unanimously. In a motion by Sue Clay with a second by Esther Palardy, board members accepted the FY20 Annual Report. In a motion by Esther Palardy with a second by Diane Klibansky, board members accepted the Treasurer's Report. Colleen said the Board of Health has asked the COA to gather a head count of seniors interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine at a local clinic. The Board of Health is collaborating with 7 other towns regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. The COA is providing information and assistance regarding local vaccination clinic sites: Haverhill/Danvers Walgreens, Whittier Rehab Hospital, Amesbury Stop and Shop Pharmacy and the mass vaccination site at the Doubletree Hotel in Danvers. Board members were also reminded to renew the state Conflict of Interest on-line training. In a motion by Diane Klibansky with a second by Esther Palardy, members accepted the Director's Report.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- Secretary's Report for December 22, 2020
- Treasurer's Report to date February 23, 2021
- Director's Report for January 2021

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

Meeting was adjourned at: __1:22 p.m._____

Next meeting: Date: February 23, 2021_____

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Respectfully submitted: Chairman: Sue Clay

(Signature)

Minutes approved by Committee on: __ February 23, 2021_____
(Date)