



Town of Georgetown

MINUTES

Committee: Georgetown Council on Aging Board

Date: January 30, 2024

Time: 12:45 pm

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

Members & Staff present: Darcy Norton, Sue Gardiner, Sue Clay, Martha Lucius, Jean Perley, Diane Prescott, Jeanne Robertson, Kristin Crockett (COA Dir.)

Members not present: Diane Klibansky, Esther Palardy, Jill Benas (alternate)

The meeting was called to order at 12:46 pm.

Minutes from the January 2, 2024 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

The state Formula Grant is now being paid to us in two installments, every 6 months. The Digital Equity Grant money has been used to purchase 3 laptops and 3 keyboards, as well as an iPad. One of the small conference rooms has been set up as a Computer Room. We are working on finding an instructor.

A “no trespass” order has been issued against an individual who has been coming into the Senior Center agitated and not behaving appropriately toward staff members. Any future appointments with this individual will be held at Town Hall. The Senior Center staff office doors will remain locked during open hours. Kristin will work on updating the COA Visitor Policy. We appreciate the support the Georgetown Police Department has provided.

Building: The COA office copier is still not working after a dedicated power outlet was installed. Kristin has requested that we receive a new machine from Toshiba, rather than continuing to try to repair this one (which we’ve only had a few months). Our wing of the building still does not have hot water, after over a month. The hot water heater must be replaced, but we don’t need hot water in every room – only the kitchen and bathrooms – so a smaller one might work. Kristin is working with the school department to determine what to purchase and how to fund the expense.

Activities: Kristin will make a presentation to the Awesome Georgetown Foundation to request funding for a ping pong table, an indoor shuffleboard mat, and other indoor activity equipment for the Game Room. We’ve received lots of great activity ideas in the new Suggestion Box, and Kristin has been actively working on implementing many of them, including scheduled times to get together for card games and board games (both have been well-attended), and future possibilities of line dancing, cooking classes, day trips, and other activities.

Kristin recently attended the Mass. Municipal Association Annual Meeting and got a lot of useful information as well as trade show contacts.

In a motion by Sue Gardiner with a second by Sue Clay, Board members accepted the Treasurer’s Report. In a motion by Sue Clay with a second by Jeanne Robertson, Board members accepted the Director’s Report.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- Minutes for Jan. 2, 2024
- Treasurer’s Report to date, January 2024
- Director’s Report for December 2024
- Visitors Code of Conduct for Town of Georgetown

Documents and Other Exhibits used at meeting will be available for review at the Georgetown Council on Aging.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Next meeting will be on Feb. 27, at 12:45pm at the Georgetown Senior Community Center, 51 North St, Georgetown.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Norton, Chair

Minutes approved by the Board on February 27, 2024.