

Town of Hudson Council on Aging

Minutes for 11/2/22 COA Board Meeting, Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church St. Hudson MA

Meeting was called to order at 1:03 by Patricia Desmond; Chair.

Members in attendance; Patricia Desmond; Chair, John Gill; V. Chair, Nina Smith; Treasurer, Diane Durand; Recording Secretary, Charlie Corley, Tony Monteiro, Janet Saluk, Ed Silveira, Melissa Esteves via zoom and Janice Long; Director.

Members absent; none

Guests; Kathy Janssen

Trisha asked for any additions to the **Agenda** presented. Receiving none, a motion was made by Charlie Corley to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Ed Silveira and the vote was unanimously approved.

Trisha called for any corrections to the **Minutes** of 10/12/22. A motion was made by Ed Silveira to accept the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Janet Saluk and the vote was unanimously approved.

The Treasurer's Report;

- Nina noted that the telephone charge of \$88.80 remains to be incorrectly posted and has notified the Treasurer's Office of this error. With this omission, the Center's budget matches the Town's reporting. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Diane Durand, seconded by Charlie Corley and the vote was unanimously approved.

The Director's Report;

- Janice mentioned that Assabet hosted a buffet luncheon for 70 seniors which was very good.
- Tom Gregory will present the state monies earmarked for Center improvements to the Select Board.
- Mr. Danis is again offering a Grab and Go Thanksgiving dinner for 150 seniors catered by Buffet Way.
- Janice reported that the recent flu clinic held at the Senior Center was very successful serving 60 seniors. She praised Virginia's efforts in assisting seniors with the process.

A motion was made to accept the **Director's Report** by Charlie Corley and seconded by Diane Durand. The vote was unanimously approved.

Outreach;

- Janice noted that they are receiving many calls for Medicare Open Enrollment appointments.
- Fuel assistance applications have been sent out.
- After receiving the Shine portal training offered from the state, staff members are pleased with the ease of maneuvering through the documentation.

- Holly was infected with Covid and worked from home for a week.

A motion was made to accept the Outreach Report by Charlie Corley, seconded by Nina Smith and was unanimously approved.

Bus Drivers;

-Janice continues to be challenged with fulfilling the Center's needs for bus drivers. She has had to utilize Ray Girard to cover on some days. Janice would like to add an additional shopping day when part time drivers are hired.

A motion was made to accept the Bus Driver's Report by Nina Smith, seconded by Janet Saluk and was unanimously approved.

Facilities ;

- Janice informed members that she has had to follow up on the care of the appliances at the Center even though companies are supposed to check quarterly through a contract.
- The lock on Alex's door has been repaired.
- The cleaning of the Center continues to be a concern. Janice has been told that the issue will be resolved in December. Tony asked Janice to have a discussion with Tom Gregory regarding the cleaning to get a clearer understanding of when specifically she can plan on the issue being resolved. A suggestion was made for a Board Member to accompany Janice with a face to face meeting.

Friends; They are very busy preparing for the upcoming Fall Fair.

Correspondence; none

Old Business;

- Janice mentioned that Holly was informed by the Health Dept that she could return to work on the 6th day of her Covid diagnosis.
- Ed was told that he could get a Covid shot 3 mths after having Covid.

New Business

- Charlie made a motion that the December Board meeting be held on Weds December 14th due to Medicare Open Enrollment. The motion was seconded by Ed Silveira and the vote was unanimous.

- Kathy Janssen discussed the "Village to Village" concept. Members questioned the liability of residents performing/assisting seniors with their needs. Kathy will continue to gain more information and report next month.

Adjournment;

Diane Durand made a motion to adjourn at 1:51. The motion was seconded by Ed Silveira and the vote was unanimously approved. The next meeting will be held on 12/14/22.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Durand