

COA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2021 @ 2:00 P.M.

COA Members present: Chair, Marsha Stone, Janice Colbert, Marsha Staples-Love, Peg Saulnier, Mary Williford, Pat Jordan, Linda Smith, Ginger Carso and Adele Coccooran Stevens

Staff present: Hope Macary

LifePath Representative: Michelle DeLisio

GUESTS: None

Chair, Marsha Stone called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence

Secretary: The minutes of the February 25, 2021 board meeting were distributed to board members via email by MaryAnn Socquet. There was no meeting held in March 2021 due to an error in scheduling on WebEx. Marsha Stone took a vote to accept both the February 25, 2021 minutes with the above correction. Minutes were accepted.

Treasurer: Marsha Stone indicated she would tally up the petty cash as she has had both her vaccine shots.

Executive Committee Report: Chair, Marshal Stone gave a brief highlight of the 4/15/2021 executive meeting.

Staff Report:

Director: Hope Macary

- Everyone is so ready not to be online as the human factor isn't there.
- The vax clinic should be wrapping up by 5/15/2021. It will take a couple of weeks to get all the equipment and stuff out of the building, deep clean and move furniture around and get back to our senior center.
- The staff will meet with some of the front desk volunteers prior to opening to make sure everything is in place and will work smoothly. We need to get back to our original open space concept. The Rec Room that houses the pool table and movie equipment will not be available to us until late summer as it will continue to be used by the Board of Health.
- The city offices are just now starting to open up to the public from 10-1 daily. Information on openings change frequently and the Board of Health, City of Greenfield and the Governor control how, when and what procedures we will follow and if masks will be required to come into the Senior Center.
- The Senior Work Off packets will be ready for pick up on May 3, 2021. To date we have received 14 requests to participate in the program. Our max is 15. Volunteers on the work program can participate in the planting and taking care of the raised flower beds in front of our building.

- Kathy Dunn is looking forward to getting back to our programs. Unfortunately, cards and various games will not be opening for now. It is very difficult to plan for outside activities as our New England weather isn't dependable and the difficulty of getting chairs in and out, plus weather and uneven ground for people with disabilities
- Hope indicated our budget will be presented to the Ways and Means Committee at 5:30 on Wed., April 28th. If anyone can attend the WebEx meeting, it would be appreciated to have a few board members there. Hope will send the meeting link to everyone.

LifePath: Michelle DeLisio

- Nothing to report. However she asked if the board would like Trevor from LifePath attend one of our meetings and present information on services available in our area for seniors. Everyone agreed and Hope Macary will contact Trevor and coordinate a meeting date. Hope will also contact Nor from Aging Friendly Communities to see if he would like to present information at one of our meetings too.

Miscellaneous:

- Janice Colbert asked if members will need proof of vax before entering the Senior Center. Hope indicate it would be a breach of the privacy law. Temperatures will be taken only if it's the standard.

Old Business:

- The Nominating Committee (Janice Colbert, Chair; Pat Jordan, Karen McCormack and Peg Saulnier met along with Hope Macary and Marsha Stone via WebEx on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. Janice had contacted all the members that have expiring 2021 terms and they have all agreed to stay on. Members with expiring terms are: Adele Stevens, Mary Williford, Karen McCormack and Marsha Staples-Love plus one vacancy. Janice also asked the executive committee what their intentions were. Janice Colbert, Pat Jordan, Peg Saulnier will stay on in their positions. Marsha Stone has been chair for 2-3 years and would like to remain on the board, however not as chair. Hope Macary thanked board members that have been chair in the past. If someone is interested in being chair, please feel to contact Marsha Stone or another board member about what the job entails.

Peg Saulnier proposed the name of Margo Peck as a potential new board member. She is a wonderful volunteer and would be a great asset to our board. Marshal Stone indicated Margo Peck has already contacted Hope and Peg and is waiting to be sworn in.

New Business: None

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peg Saulnier, COA Secretary

Next meetings: Exec Meeting: May 20, 2021 @ 2:00;

Board Meeting: May 27, 2021 @ 2:00 via WebEx