



Minutes of Town of West Newbury

Council on Aging

Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 10:00 am

The Council on Aging met in regular session on May 5, 2022 in-person. Chair Laurie Spielvogel called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Present: Laurie Spielvogel, Chair, Marjorie Peterson, Vice Chair, Jacqueline Johnston, Dorothy Cavanaugh, Jessa Haynes, Gail DiNaro, Joseph Publicover, Gail DiNaro

Absent: Richard Preble, Dianne Faulkner

Staff Present: Christine Marshall, COA Director and Angus Jennings, Town Manager

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's report was read by Marge Peterson, who had taken the minutes at the meeting in April. The motion was made by Marge Peterson to accept the Secretary's report, second by Gail DiNaro. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was reported by Christine Marshall. There was discussion on the Gift accounts of the Food Pantry and COA Gift account. Town Manager Angus Jennings explained how the Gift Accounts worked. He will provide information on the two gift accounts and how the funds can be used. Angus Jennings also explained that a revolving account would need Town Meeting approval. A motion was made to accept the report by Dot Cavanaugh and second by Gail DiNaro. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report: Christine reported on participation in programs/events - Meals on wheels, in-person lunches, Food Pantry, Yoga Classes, 3B Exercise Class, Yoga, NEET & Van Rides, Foot Care. The Van Driver Position has been advertised with one inquiry. Event Posters for May and June have been printed and placed around Town. Pickle-ball series sold out the first day it was offered, second date was added and as of the meeting date there was only one space open to be filled.

New Business:

- **Discussion of Potential Name Change:** There was discussion on a potential name change for the Senior Center. Gail DiNaro suggested the name be "SAGE CENTER", with the letters of SAGE, meaning social, activities, growth and education. Everyone attending the meeting was in favor of the name change. Christine will create some sample designs and e-mail the board for comments on the design.
- **Participation in Memorial Day Parade:** It was discussed that the COA Van would participate in the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30th at 10:30 AM.

Old Business: none

Jacquie Johnston moved to adjourn the meeting, Jessa Haynes seconded, motion passed unanimously, meeting adjourned at 10:52 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline A Johnston, Secretary