

## COA Meeting, March 3, 2021

DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM VIDEO RECORDING.

Attended by: Roberta Lynch, Bob Heald (2020), Rich Ryder (2021), Perry Conostas (2019), Katie Robinson, Susan Bernstein, Lisa Donovan, Kathy Powers, Peter Burke, Nancy Gerstel –Date in (2020) = expiration date of term for Council On Aging Board Members

Roll Call to Order: 10:05 a.m

Motion to Approve February 2021 Minutes: YES –4, NO - 0 – Minutes Approved

### ROBERTA:

- '22 budget - \$84.56 per Medfield senior, will bring back Saturday program, has not yet heard back from Amanda Hall.
- Maintaining services: 596 events, 178 unduplicated events, 31 average participation. Librarian comes in and selects books and delivers them.
- Receptionists coming back in.
- Several speakers in March.
- Last month Food Pantry approached COA regarding relocating Food Pantry on land at The Center.
  - RICH: is OK with relocating to our property if building is not “on top of” ours; they have own entrance; there is synergy between our goals and customer base
  - BOB: concern for future expansion of our building – not give up control of property; building has to conform to architecture of our building; parking issue
  - KATHY: is the site on the other side of the ravine? – YES
  - RICH: wooded area open now?
  - LISA: There’s a path but pretty wooded
  - RICH: Path is Bay Circuit Trail; joint building = our garage and their Food Pantry?
  - BOB: Table discussion for now and we will look at land

### SUSAN:

- Taking lot of phone calls regarding covid vaccinations.
- AARP Tax Program started today. Fully booked through April 7 in separate rooms with plexiglass on tables, hand sanitizer. 10 people per week = 60 people.

### PETER:

- 3-4 people taken on every trip on Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Maintenance up to date on all busses
- Surgery next Thursday – has bus driver coverage for remainder of March

LISA:

- Seeking out homebound elders through Outreach
- Applications for housing, fuel assistance, homelessness options
- Making Covid Vaccine calls – some people haven't been contacted in years
- Assisting with Online programming
- Hosting "How Would You Handle It" on line

KATHY:

- ZOOM calls on Wednesdays 11-12 noon with 2 clients
- Covid vaccine calls
- Talking about potential for meeting in person again
- Drive-thru "Caregiver Appreciation" bag today

TRISH:

- Vaccine calls

RICH:

- Joined HESSCO Board

Motion to adjourn (Yes- 4, No-0) accepted at 10:45 a.m.



**NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021 AT 10:00 A.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Roberta Lynch**

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