

## **HANOVER COUNCIL ON AGING**

### **Minutes of the Regular COA Board Meeting September 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Hanover C.O.A. Advisory Board was held on Wednesday September 1, 2021, at the Hanover Senior Center and available on Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Les Molyneaux at 1:05 PM. Les Molyneaux, Roger Leslie, Don Buckley, Lorraine Gaysunas were present, Susan Setterland participated via Zoom. Julie Wesolowski was absent and there is one vacant position.

Additional attendees were Director Tammy Murray and Katie O'Brien.

There was no Public Comment

The minutes of the meeting on August 4, 2021 were approved unanimously. Motion – Roger Leslie Second Don Buckley

Correspondence – Tammy provided the group with the Thank You notes she and the staff received for the month. These have not been shared in the past but will be going forward.

Update on the donated blanket. The cost of framing was more than anything to be considered reasonable Tammy is having the frame made by a friend as a donation to the Center.

Staff Update, Katie has been promoted to Client Service Coor and Susan hired for Shine Coordinator part-time temp position. Susan had been trained by Nancy and the State and helped us since last year on a volunteer basis. Without a Shine Coor we would have to send residents to Middleboro for service. Katie will be trained when there is a session hopefully in the spring. Susan has a call out to Stat Ethics in regard to her role on the Board. She did not participate as a member at this call.

Update on postage machine. Tammy had not begun to price out as she was not sure where to start and was working on other things this month, such as Certification Project – Marketing and Survey.

Tammy went over the Directors report and additional info. Covid numbers went up since July, yet it was mentioned by the Public Health Nurse that Hanover has done a great job getting as many people as possible over 60 vaccinated. Needs for Housing and aiding people who are looking for housing is increasing. Due to apartment leases ending, children moving, people being evicted due to landlord reasons such as illegal apartments etc. This assistance can take multiple days and hours for follow-up and case management. Hanover, like other towns lacks affordable housing or smaller homes.

The Friend have a new board and want to be more involved in spreading the word about the center and our activities.

Capital Plan was discussed briefly. There is not anything on currently for COA. A couple were mentioned but the Board does not have a joint opinion on them.

The Board voted unanimously to have meetings recorded and aired on HVTV so more people can see and understand what our goals are for the year etc. Motion made by Roger Leslie Seconded by Don Buckley. Tammy will set up for October meeting.

Staffing and open (funded and non-funded) positions were discussed as well as Goals for the year the Board agreed with the draft provided by Tammy, they did not have additional goals. Roger added a task of removing debris from behind the shed. There are old garden beds, bricks, and rocks Tammy will coordinate with Facilities. Tammy expressed a need for a cook and perhaps advocacy from the Board.

Katie reviewed programs for plans for October etc.

We discussed the MCOA Conference in detail, Tammy printed workshop info and the Board will get back to me on if they will be attending or not and what events etc.

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday October 6, at 1:00 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Murray

CC: Hanover Council on Aging Advisory Board Members  
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