

HANOVER COUNCIL ON AGING

Minutes of the Regular COA Board Meeting April 6, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Hanover C.O.A. Advisory Board was held on Wednesday April 6, 2022, 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, were Kenton Greene, and Lorraine Gaysunas were present. Julie Wesolowski was in attendance via Zoom. Absent, Donald Buckley, and Susan Setterland is on leave until July 2022.

Additional attendees were Director Tammy Murray

Public Comment None. Correspondence None

Minutes March 2, 2022 Roger made a motion to accept the minutes, Seconded by Kenton. Unanimous.

Roger mentioned the buzzer being broken and asked if we had cameras. Tammy explained where the 11 cameras are placed in the building and parking lot. Roger asked of the Fire Dept. also had a link to the cameras like the Police do. Tammy will find out.

Roger gave Tammy a brochure for home meals that residents can order and have delivered. Abington did a luncheon highlighting there meals. Tammy will give to Michael to book a luncheon here in the future.

Tammy announced the lunch and dinner for \$5.00 coming back to the COA soon.

Kenton asked about bereavement groups at our center.

Directors Report – The kitchen will be opening soon but we need to buy some pots etc. We will start selling coffee as soon as we get new percolators. BOH signed off on the kitchen so we are set to open up again. A couple lunches a month and a monthly dinner.

Tammy explained the Veteran Behavioral Health Services being made available and discussed the memory Café being started on June 3. Tammy and Katie will be facilitating.

Kenton mentioned a group who assists families write their family history and places the recordings in the Library of Congress.

Les asked about past items. ARPA Funds for computer purchases. The group would like to get computers back into the computer room.

The Newcomb Hall Rental Fees for Town Meeting Warrant as discussed at the March Meeting. Kenton asked what the current fees are. Roger asked if out of town people could use the room. He didn't agree that people should use it. Tammy explained the last meetings discussion and decision on the fees. Kenton also discussed the prior meeting and where the amounts came from. The Board voted for the amounts in March. Les asked the Board if anyone the from the public has spoken out about this article.

Tammy discussed the budget being presented at Town Meeting. The Council on Aging Budget was not lowered. Lorraine asked about the budgets and what it covers Tammy reviewed that with the group.

The Board also reviewed the extra fee of \$40.00 for leaving the kitchen unclean. Deposits will be required for the use of kitchen and returned if cleaned. We looked at the policy and usage form and will be completed and reviewed at a later meeting.

The Town Alcohol Policy and use at the COA came up again. Tammy will provide all of the information on this at a future meeting. Smoking on Town Property was also discussed.

Strategic Plan the Board was asked to review the last plan they were provided with.

Les mentioned having a sub committee to review the Strategic Plan and have a new version completed by July. Tammy mentioned that Susan Setterland offered to help review the plan.

We discussed Susan and her leave from the Board. The leave was because she was doing paid work for the Town as the SHINE Coordinator and the fear of and appearance of a conflict. This was not a Legal or Ethical issue more for the appearance to the public as a conflict. She will be returning in July.

Kenton gave us a document provided to him by the Master Plan Implementation committee. He reviewed the people involved and what they were representing. Les pointed out the value Kenton adds to that committee and pointed out the COA related items.

Tammy mentioned that the Transportation section needs to be updated as we do a lot more for many more people since it was done 5 years ago. Tammy and Les will assist Kenton with updates and other information.

Les brought up uses for the property of the COA building and utilizing it better or expanding. Les requests we work with Conservation and Open Space on programs or expansion ideas etc.

Tammy gave an update on Age and Dementia Friendly Hanover. We have more going for us in this direction than is documented. We will be working on the State Checklist.

Motion to Adjourn 2:23pm Kenton made a motion seconded by Julie unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 1:53 PM Motion Don, second Lorraine vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Murray

CC: Hanover Council on Aging Advisory Board Members
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