

Flashland Council on Aging

Meeting Minutes for February 2, 2023

Called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Attendees:

Board Members

Sara Perkett

Debbie Connaughton

Diane Hansen

Fran Blake

Pat McHale

Steve Mitchell

Alexis Christopher

Lisa Uglialoro

Jean Delouchry

Guests:

Candi Wilson (Director)

Cheryl Bell (Outreach Coordinator)

Mission Statement: read by Jean Delouchry

Citizen Participation:

None.

Secretary's Minutes:

Alexis noted a change was needed to Board Reports to show that she “requested to review” the survey (not “reviewed”). Also, there was a special meeting on January 19, 2023 and 2 versions of those minutes were taken. There needs to be one version approved for distribution.

Alexis moved to delay approval of the January 2023 minutes until next month and to have changes made. Debbie seconded the motion. Approved 9-0.

Director's Report:

1. Discussion about managing lunches better, controlling who has paid
2. How can we encourage people to sign in when using the center
3. Staffing challenges with programming
4. Survey to close 2/28/2023
5. Steve will enter results of hard copy surveys; Lisa will collect the google form data

Alexis made a motion to approve the Director's Report. Diane seconded.

Approved 9-0.

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New Business:

1. The Comprehensive Planning Committee seeks a representative from the COA. Alexis, Fran, and Steve all noted their interest.
 - a. Pat McHale nominated Fran, Jean seconded
 - b. Diane Hansen nominated Alexis, Debbie seconded
 - c. Lisa Ugialoro nominated Steve, Debbie seconded
 - d. Vote to elect a committee of 3 to be involved and elect a representative among the 3 of them passed 9-0.

Old Business:

1. Survey logistics discussed

Discussion of Goals:

1. 3 main categories: Branding / Outreach / Advocacy
2. Steve will draft a summary

Board Reports:

1. Lisa asked if Town was prepared for services if the power or heat went out for seniors. Candi responded that the Town was prepared.
2. Steve shared that the Select Board voted on trash fees. Trash fees will be adjusted as follows, effective August 2023:
 - a. Resident rate: from \$146 to \$204/yr
 - b. Senior rate: from \$78 to \$109/yr
3. Alexis:
 - a. She received an email from Rob Scherer asking for comments on spending money for ADA compliance. Candi mentioned that they had received money to bring the building/patio area into ADA compliance, but the cost has more than doubled since then and the quotes they are getting are now over \$160K.
 - b. Barbara Chisholm said that WACA is using rolling billboards now. They just need an email 2 weeks in advance of anything that should go on there.
 - c. If Candi needs help while staffing is an issue, the COA can assist/volunteer their time to help

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Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn made by Lisa. Diane seconded. Approved 8-0

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Lisa Uglialoro

Documents distributed: January 5, 2023 minutes, January 19, 2023 - 2 sets of minutes, Director's Report