

# Fishland Council on Aging

Meeting Minutes for March 2, 2023

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**Called to order at 11:00 a.m.**

## **Attendees:**

### **Board Members**

Sara Perkett (absent)

Fran Blake

Alexis Christopher

Debbie Connaughton

Pat McHale

Lisa Uglialoro

Diane Hansen

Steve Mitchell

Jean Delouchry

## **Guests:**

Candi Wilson (Director)

Cheryl Bell (Outreach Coordinator)

**Mission Statement:** read by Diane Hansen

## **Secretary's Minutes:**

Steve moved to approve the February 2023 minutes. Alexis seconded the motion. Approved 8-0.

## **Director's Report:**

1. There will potentially be a warrant article regarding the Senior Tax Work-Off Program which would raise the amount the seniors could earn from \$750 to \$1,500.

Alexis made a motion to have the COA sponsor that warrant article. Steve seconded. Approved 8-0.

2. The survey close date was made 3/31/2023.

## **Goals Report:**

Steve shared a document for council members to review and asked people to come to the next meeting with edits and additions.

## **Baypath:**

- Diane had a meeting recently and there was mostly representation from Springwell (only 2 Baypath people).
- Additional meetings coming up in May, July, and September. Hopefully another council member can join one of those.
- Springwell has a large volunteer program

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- Biggest pandemic issue was the nutrition program
- They also have a medical escort program which might be worth researching.

## **Budget Process Update:**

Steve shared the Town's budget process.

## **New Business:**

1. The Community Center is undergoing repairs from the water damage. COA offered to assist as necessary.
2. Steve shared information on the upcoming health clinic. It's free, open to all, August 11-13 (Friday - Sunday), with many different kinds of care: women's health, dental, vision, etc. It's a collaboration between many agencies including MetroWest Foundation, MetroWest Medical Center, Framingham State and Keefe Tech.

## **Old Business:**

1. The 3 candidates for the Comprehensive Plan Committee nominated Steve Mitchell to be the COA representative.
2. WACA: Alexis talked with Barbara Chisholm - we can report on the rolling billboard

## **Around the Table:**

1. Lisa mentioned that the School Committee was considering eliminating the Community Service graduation requirement. Suggested sending letters to the School Committee to express their opinions.

## **Adjournment:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Submitted by Secretary, Lisa Uglialoro

Documents distributed: February 2023 minutes, Goals & Objectives document, Director's Report