

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town of Southwick
Council on Aging

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COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD MEETING Monday April 12, 2021 at 12:30pm (ZOOM)

Zoom Meeting called to order by Paula LeBlanc 12:36 p.m.

Present: Paula LeBlanc, Carol Laughlin, Jack Pocai, Harvey Holm, Theresa Rogers,

Donna Foisy, Donna Charron and Director Cindy Sullivan

Absent: associate member Harriet Fischer.

No Public Comment

Minutes: reviewed and accepted. Motion made by Donna Foisy and seconded by

Theresa Rogers, accepted unanimously by roll call vote

Bills: none for review

New Business:

Update from COA director:

Vaccines for the homebound - Tammy Spencer from the Board of Health and the Fire Department are setting this up for April 14th. Cindy will ride with Tammy; the Fire Department is providing EMT's. If there are any leftover shots, people will be called on April 15th to take part in a clinic outside the building under the tent.

Vaccine – Cindy is working to help people get appointments. The COA van and FRTA are taking people to get vaccines. Four people at a time can ride in each van. The Big E is opening on April 20th for vaccines. Cindy is hoping for a Southwick Day and will be able to book people. It will run from 8am to 3pm.

Crafts - April 29th a paint and snack will be held under the tent, the cost is \$10 and you must pre-register. Mary Beth Reed will be running the class.

Since it is too late for a gardening class a craft will be held making a pot and planting flowers in it.

Town Elections - May 11th in the senior center. Lunch and brown bag will be held by the garage.

Fire Safety, Safety Awareness on April 22nd - the Fire Department will be providing information and sponsoring donuts from Mrs. Murphy's with lunch. You will have a choice of 2 donuts.

Discussion about Secretary replacement - The discussion has been tabled until the May meeting which we hope can be under the tent outside in person.

Update on Programs:

Dining room- grab and go lunches still in effect. Not enough room indoors to follow protocols and fit more than a few people.

Brown Bag - second Tuesday of the month.

Transportation - FRTA still is being used. Volunteer van will be used with 4 persons per ride, wearing masks and socially distanced.

Finances- are in good shape. Budget vote on May 11th.

Classes - being held under the tent starting the week of the 12th. Pre registration required for 5 week sessions at \$10, will run thru the end of July.

Bingo - Cindy hoping to get Bingo inside soon.

Cindy ordered plexiglass for our van to protect the driver and sneeze protectors for the passengers. Money made available by the Cares Act and FEMA money.

Old Business:

None

Motion to adjourn by Jack Pocai, seconded by Donna Foisy, accepted unanimously by rollcall.

Next Meeting, Monday, May 10, 2021 at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Laughlin