

Laura Stewart

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Council on Aging Meeting 2/3/21 Minutes

1. Call to order [at 1:43](#)
2. Reading of Remote Meeting Law by chair
3. Establish quorum
 - a. Mary Anne Easley - chair
 - b. Alison K. Forsgren - vice chair
 - c. Diane Flaherty - secretary
 - d. Judith Perkins
 - e. Suzi Spring
 - f. Linda Williams

Staff present: Laura Stewart

Jerico Mele (Director of Human Services)

Guest present: Nancy Swain

Joe Aguiar

Absent: Vanessa Larrabee

Kendra Lockley

4. Approval of Agenda;
5. Approval of minutes; motion made by Linda, seconded by Suzy, motion carries
6. Public Comment - Nancy Swain spoke and would like the council to reestablish "Senior of The Year". Joe Aguiar also spoke in support of this. Motion to establish a study group for this was made by Linda, seconded by Alison. Vote was unanimous, motion carries. Linda, Alison and Diane will be on committee.
7. Official business
 - a. Report on Human Services and Covid 19 Task Force by Jerico Mele
- i. Enforcement - visiting job sites and general patrol
- ii. Brooke Mohr and others have started an Economic support group. All non-profits will be able to be reached from one number. The Family Resource Center is running it. The goal going forward is for a person to call the universal number and be connected to the non-profit they need.
- iii. Vaccines: Saltmarsh staff, Laura & Ginny have been extremely helpful fielding questions about town website and gateway. Vaccines now being given to those 75 & up. For people 65, those vaccines should be 2-3 weeks from now. Vaccines given at VFW. For onsite vaccines, The Homestead will be this week and next week will be home to home. To get on the list for the vaccine, go on the town website. For appointment times go to the hospital website. We have no say in what vaccine they send to Nantucket.
- b. Report of Saltmarsh by Laura Stewart (program coordinator)
- .Zoom exercise classes continue and are very successful

- i. Exercise equipment are being lent to those in need
 - ii. Yoga on Thursdays at 9:00 AM
 - iii. Tai Chi on Thursday at 10:00 AM
 - iv. Nantucket Trivia with Fran (1/19) had 3 attend
 - v. Nutrition with Alice on 1/20 had 5 attend
 - vi. Name that Tune with Paul (1/26) had 7 participants
 - vii. Arthur Bergeron continues to offer free legal advice on the first Wednesday of each month via zoom or phone.
 - viii. Vilma from Hearing Life at Saltmarsh on 1/25
 - ix. Senior Learning Network Programs are almost every Tuesday and Thursday. The average is 3 participants.
 - x. Highway 61 advertised in newsletter
 - xi. Saltmarsh Supper drive through - 1/28, had 67 attending
 - c. Upcoming Programs & Activities
 - . Saltmarsh Dinner Drive throughs are as follows; 2/4, 2/11, 2/18 and 2/25. Pick up is from 12-1:30PM.
 - i. Planning for medicare webinar with BCBS on 2/19 at 3:00
 - ii. Love songs with Paul Connors on 2/9 at 10:30 AM
 - iii. Health Care options webinar with BCBS on 2/16 at 10:30 AM.
 - iv. Cooking with Alice on 2/17 at 1:00 PM
 - v. Hearing Life - 2/25 from 11:30-3:30
 - vi. Saltmarsh has 2 Samsung Galaxy tablets with data plans to loan for a two week period of time.
 - vii. Saltmarsh is helping seniors sign up with the town for vaccinations appointments and calls about patient gateway.
 - viii. Floor installation at Saltmarsh starts 2/12 at 11:00 AM and will continue until work is completed. Work will start each work day after completion of zoom classes. Ginna and Laura will work from home in the afternoon.
 - d. Update on Elder Services of Cape Cod and The Islands by Alison Forsgren
 - . The group meets the last Tuesday of every month. Cape Elder Service has 60 people working, Nantucket has one.
 - i. Vaccinations on Cape not given at hospital but rather at Pharmacies.
 - ii. Prices per meal for Meals on Wheels
 - 1. Cape - \$3.82 per person
 - 2. Vineyard - \$4.61 per person
 - 3. Nantucket - \$14.80 per person
- Nantucket has pick up - Vineyard and the cape deliver
- 8. Update on NCEA activities by Joe Aguiar
 - a. Renovations have started on a new lobby and new flooring.
 - b. Men's bathroom door is not functioning correctly and the company will be notified to remedy the problem. Discovery of problems with roofs needs to be addressed.
 - c. Annual appeal this year - \$38,220.00
 - d. Annual appeal last year - \$60,000.00
 - 9. Other business

10. Adjournment - motion to adjourn made by Linda, seconded by Suzy - vote was unanimous, motion carried - adjourned [at 3:05 PM](#).

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