

September 1, 2021 Council on Aging Minutes

1. **Call to Order** at 1:38pm
2. **Reading of Remote meeting law** by chair, Mary Anne Easley
3. **Establish Quorum**
 - a. Present: Chair, Mary Anne Easley; Vice Chair, Alison K. Forsgren; Secretary, Diane Flaherty; Vanessa Larrabee; Kendra Lockley; Linda Williams joined at 1:51pm.
 - b. Absent: Judith Perkins; Suzi Spring; Nancy Swain
 - c. Staff present: Jerico Mele
 - d. Staff absent; Laura Stewart
4. **Approval of Agenda.** Motion made by Alison to approve, seconded by Vanessa. All voted in favor, motion carries.
5. **Approval of August 4, 2021 minutes.** Motion made by Kendra, seconded by Alison. All voted in favor, motion carries.
6. **Official Business.**
 - a. Title III B Grant application. Alison Forsgren provided an application status. All grants were due by the end of August. They received 26 letters of intent and 17 proposals. There was no quorum for Elder Services of Cape Cod & Islands meeting. The next meeting will be in October and hopefully we will have results after that meeting.
 - b. Adult Health Fair. Update by Mary Anne Easley. Signups for the Flu clinic for ages 65 and up began on September 1. There are 100 doses to administer. Flu shots will be given on September 25, 2021, from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the Anderson Building at the hospital.
 - c. Discussion of Luncheon to honor 2021 Seniors of the Year. Local and state officials are invited to the luncheon. We estimate about 100 guests. Because of COVID-19, we will be hosting the luncheon outside. Discussion followed about contacting Faregrounds, Saltbox, Jetties/SandBar, or Keepers to see if they can accommodate. Chair Mary Anne Easley will send an e-mail to Laura and Jerico with the above information so they can contact the restaurants.
 - d. Covid-19 update by Jerico Mele. The numbers on island have decreased, but the Town is expecting to see a spike around Labor Day and weekend weddings.
 - e. Dementia Friendly Nantucket. Alison shared a video "Massachusetts, Recognizing and Helping People with Dementia". On September 13 there will be a training via zoom about helping people in our community with dementia. Governor Baker is working towards a Dementia Friendly Massachusetts.
7. **Report on Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands.** Update by Alison. There was not a quorum to hold a meeting in August. The following information was shared: client load is up 8%; Mashpee Commons is starting congregate lunches; Cape Cod & Island won best in state for home visits.
8. **Report on Nantucket Center for Elder Affairs.** Update by Mary Anne Easley. The senior center will be tearing down a wall to make one big room for the two offices.
9. **Motion to Adjourn.** Motion made by Alison and seconded by Kendra. All voted in favor, motion carries. The meeting ended at 2:28pm.