

East Longmeadow Council on Aging (COA)
Tuesday, September 14, 2021 – Board Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting called to order at 9:01AM by Chair Theresa Govoni-Moylan.
- II. Roll Call:
 - a. Theresa Govoni-Moylan and Jane Desilets attended the meeting via ZOOM. Erin Koebler, Doreen Harrison, Sharon Giordano, Melinda Mandeville, Joseph Barker. Pastor Timothy Sherenko, Julie Dunlop and Alicia Smith attended in person. Barbara Farrell excused.
- III. Approval of June 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes:
 - a. Doreen Harrison entertained a motion to accept the minutes of 6-22-2021, seconded by Joe Barker. Motion carried.
- IV. Director's Report:
 - a. The Transportation Dispatcher position has been reposted on the town's website. The position is posted at a higher payrate.
 - b. The Meal-Site Coordinator's position was filled. Congregate, Meals-on-Wheels and Curbside meals began September 1, 2021.
 - c. A catalytic convertor was stolen from a Tri-Town Trolley. Due to the theft, security cameras will be installed.
- V. Program/Volunteer Coordinator Report:
 - a. The Food Drive will run through the month (Thursdays, 9:00AM-3:00PM) of September.
 - b. The Brownstone Café (breakfast program) in the auditorium will start up on October 12, 2021.
 - c. A walk to End Alzheimer's will take place on September 26th, 2021. The team has raised over \$2,000.
 - d. An Open House was held at the Senior Center. Representation from different East Longmeadow town departments attended.
 - e. Walk Massachusetts Challenge is coming to a close at the end of September. We had 29 people signed up! Our Center will be out into a raffle to win \$1000 to put towards future programming.
- VI. Committee Reports:
 - a. AAA – Meeting cancelled until October.
 - b. GSSSI – The East Longmeadow COA requested \$30,000 for its Nutrition Program. The program was awarded \$27,000 through the Title 3 Grant.
- VII. Emergency Planning – There wasn't a quorum for votes to take place. Sixty-three percent of East Longmeadow residents vaccinated.

- VIII. New Business:
 - a. Volunteers are needed in the kitchen helping prepare meals. Meals-on-Wheels is also in need of drivers.
 - b. The numbers are low for meals being served.

- IX. Old Business:
 - a. E.L. COA is still researching the Golden Cane Award.

- X. Next Meeting Date:
 - a. The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 12 at 9:00AM. The meeting will be held in person at the senior center.

- XI. Adjournment:
 - a. Doreen Harrison entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Melinda Manville. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Desilets
September 14, 2021