

January Minutes

Millbury Council on Aging Board of Directors

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Date: Wednesday January 18th at 7:30am

Present: Stephen Walinsky, Richard Townsend, Stuart Mulhane, Kevin Higginbottom, Sarahbeth Persiani, Kendra Faldetta (Acting Director), Julieanne Fitzgerald (Outreach Worker) and Sean Hendricks (Town Manager)

Vouchers:

Vouchers were signed for Amazon, MPC and W.B. Mason.

Minutes:

A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Townsend. Seconded by Mr. Mulhane. Vote: Unanimous.

Ms. Persiani would like it noted that Ms. Faldetta will be doing the minutes from here on. This began at the December meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Townsend. Vote: Unanimous

Correspondence:

Thank you cards received after the holiday season. The Formula Grant is due on January 31st 2022.

Standing Reports:

A. Budget and Finance: The budget was submitted for review by Ms. Faldetta to the town manager and finance director. The \$18,000.00 for transportation was put in the budget. There will be a meeting between Mr. Walinsky, Mr. Townsend, Mr. Hendricks and Ms. Faldetta at 8:30am on Friday.

B. Personnel: No report.

C. Nominating: Mr. Walinsky has people he would like to apply to fill the empty positions. Mr. Hendricks noted that the applications can be picked up at the town managers office.

D. Legislative: No report.

E. Senior Center Usage: No report.

F. Building Maintenance/ Equipment: The gutter will be repaired after an unknown accident damaged it. The Senior Center is waiting for a quote from A&G gutters. MPC came to fix the heat in the office and women's room after it stopped working.

Directors Report: Ms. Faldetta provided a written report, which included an activity summary for Dec, Jan and Feb. attached and made a part of these minutes.

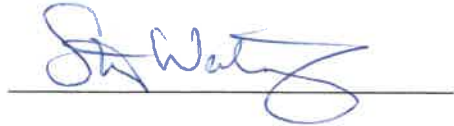
Chairman's Report: Mr. Walinsky stated he had nothing to report.

New Business: Ms. Faldetta and Ms.Fitzgerald have been working to complete the BankHometown Fuel Assistance Applications.

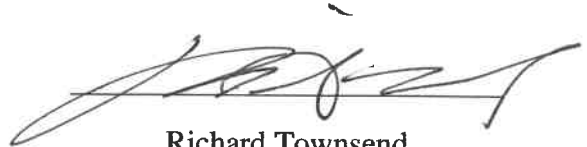
Other Business: There was no other business.

Next Board Meeting: February 16th 2022, at 7:30am.

Adjournment: 8:44am.

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Stephen Walinsky

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Stuart Mulhane

Acting Director's Correspondence

December:

For our Winter Holiday Party we have had 30 gift bags donated, we had prizes that have been donated for the ugliest holiday sweater, holiday trivia and "pin the nose on the reindeer". We also had live music, by one of our talented meals on wheels drivers, and lunches from Elder Services.

On December 13th we worked with the Worcester County Sheriff's department to distribute 50 free winter jackets to seniors in need in Millbury.

We started Yoga classes on December 16th, Jean Gillis is the instructor and her class has been very well received and very popular.

We received food donations from the Millbury First Congregational Church, Distant Thunder Motorcycle Club, the Shaw School, H&H Dance Studio and a \$1,000.00 donation from Ronald Tarentino Jr. Charitable Fund for the food pantry.

The December Memory Café was Holiday Ornament decorating, the participants enjoyed themselves.

We participated in the Eddy Pond Wreath Contest; we had a wreath from the crafting class and a wreath from the kitchen volunteers.

The WCAC did appointments at the senior center for Millbury residents; they did their own scheduling but saw approximately 20 Millbury families throughout the day.

We continue to make booster appointments for COVID 19 vaccinations.

January:

We had a Fraud Prevention class taught by the Millbury Police Department on January 6th. Eleven people attended it.

Senator Moore or a representative from his office will be coming once monthly, they started in January.

On Monday January 24th the COA Staff will be getting AED and CPR certified. We have a tax work off person who will be here to cover the office while the staff is trained.

The January Memory Café will be held on January 25th and host Dianna Proventure from Little Bit Farm will discuss bees, pollination and honey collection.

The Volunteer Brunch was postponed due to COVID and hopefully we can reschedule sometime in early spring when COVID is not as big a risk.

The intergenerational programing is becoming less successful; we are having great difficulty finding reliable high school students. The high school principal and I have been discussing computer classes, he is working on getting a list of interested National Honor Society students to teach a weekly class.

Julie and I continue to do Bank Hometown Fuel assistance interviews.

We are hosting a Valentine's Day Party on February 8th, COVID and weather permitting.

We are enforcing the mask mandate strictly, and are encouraging hand washing and sanitizing frequently. We are one of the few senior centers in the area that remains open to the public and are only able to do so because people are adhering to the rules.

We noticed some sort of vehicle has hit our gutter system, and A&G gutters are coming today or Thursday to repair this issue. MPC was here on Thursday the 13th; the heat was off in the office, hallway and women's restroom and MPC repaired the issue.

Respectfully,

Kendra Faldetta

COUNCIL ON AGING STATS December 2021

	Exer	Cards	Crafts	Bing Aft	Food Family	Food # People	Outreach	Staywell	Cong	MOW	Telep Stats	Bowl
12/1/2021	0	8	4	25	1	1	11	0	17	128	47	0
12/2/2021	0	8	0	0	2	3	9	0	13	98	38	0
12/3/2021	12	8	0	0	2	2	0	0	9	98	49	0
12/6/2021	12	10	0	0	1	2	0	0	14	98	51	0
12/7/2021	9	9	0	0	1	1	8	7	17	98	48	0
12/8/2021	0	8	6	25	0	0	8	0	27	128	53	0
12/9/2021	0	6	0	0	1	2	0	0	15	98	51	0
12/10/2021	12	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	98	38	0
12/13/2021	14	11	0	0	4	10	0	0	8	98	40	0
12/14/2021	7	10	0	0	1	4	12	4	42	98	38	0
12/15/2021	0	8	4	21	2	5	8	0	25	128	46	0
12/16/2021	7	6	0	0	2	2	8	0	9	98	39	0
12/17/2022	11	6	0	0	0	0	0	15	6	98	42	0
12/20/2021	14	15	0	0	2	2	0	0	7	98	52	0
12/21/2021	0	9	0	0	3	9	0	5	12	98	37	0
12/22/2021	0	8	5	22	1	2	7	0	26	128	39	0
12/23/2021	6	4	0	0	2	3	5	0	13	98	42	0
12/24/2021	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12/27/2021	14	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	98	47	2
12/28/2021	7	9	0	0	1	1	3	5	12	98	49	0
12/29/2021	0	11	4	22	0	0	7	0	23	128	52	0
12/30/2021	5	9	0	0	4	8	5	0	18	98	38	0
12/31/2021	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec Totals	130	186	23	115	30	57	91	36	325	2208	936	2
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