

**TOWN OF HULL
COUNCIL ON AGING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: 5/25/2021 Meeting Start: 6:00 pm Meeting Adjourned: 7:12 pm

Attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Others Attending
Jim Richman (JR)	X		Lisa Thornton
Greg Grey (GG)	X		Polly Rowe
Brian McCarthy (BM)		X	
Michael Maloon (MM)	X		
Maureen O'Brien (MO)	X		
Hannah Taverna (HT)	X		
Mimi Leary	X		

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a. A recording of the previous meeting was taken. The board voted at the previous meeting that Hannah Taverna would take notes.
2. Directors Report
 - a. Re-opening of Senior Center Building (Clean-up, Beatification, Cleaning, Personal Hygiene)
 - i. Scheduled for June 14th, 2021. Soft opening with some programming has already occurred, including outdoor gardening event with the Hull Garden Club, who will return on June 2nd for a garden bed event.
 - ii. Hand sanitizer dispensers to be mounted on the wall. Cleaning company to come in and sanitize.
 - iii. First floor to be utilized in the short-term until upstairs can be utilized.
 - iv. masks still being worn on the van. Ideas for grab and go meals to be eaten outdoors as opposed to in-house meals.
 - b. Grants
 - i. Living Your Best Life: Will begin on June 1st, 14 people currently signed up, 5 week program, meets weekly with guest speakers every week.
 - ii. Nordic Walking Program: Will begin on June 7th on Mondays at 2PM, 12 people currently signed up.
 - c. Summer Programming: outdoor programming will be prioritized as much as possible. Discussions are being had with Superintendent Judith Kehun regarding potential use of space at schools during the summer months.
 - d. Better Together Program
 - i. 80 meals per week
 - ii. Meeting with Wellspring regarding funding ideas for continuing the program forward.
 - e. Needs Assessment
 - i. Going forward with the needs assessment with UMass Boston. Can invite to next meeting to discuss timeline and goals. Intent is to get a survey out to all residents ages 55 and older in early September, focus groups in July, and in-depth interviews with town officials.
 - ii. Discussed ways to promote participation and awareness.
 - iii. Discussed whether seasonal/summer residents may be overrepresented in the data and whether this may be a potential limitation to the findings and recommendations.
 - f. Software Update:
 - i. My Senior Center software is up and running, which tracks rides, sign ups, email addresses, phone numbers, etc. to communicate better with people and broadcast up to date information.
 - g. Newsletter:
 - i. Prioritizing outdoor activities, if we can accommodate some activities that were included in the newsletter

and sent back by seniors regarding interests. Volunteer recruitment. Discussed printing a reminder in the Hull Times, town website or the town channel for folks to send these interest forms back in.

- h. Repairs:
 - i. Chris Diorio to put together a 1-2 page scope of needed repairs for Senior Center as repairs were recently approved at town meeting. The scope of work will be used to invite potential contractors for estimates. Material costs and lack of available contractors may pose potential challenges.
- i. Potential Partnership:
 - i. Parks and Recreation willing to partner with Senior Center to fully fund and accommodate programming for seniors. Line dancing, Zumba, reading to younger youth. Potential for the Senior Center to include some information into the Parks and Recreation Department's upcoming website launch.
- j. Intergenerational programming:
 - i. Superintendent Judith Kehun willing to discuss and collaborate on these ideas as well and different programs that the school can partner with (i.e. tech support, reading groups, etc). Intergenerational programming would help in connecting our seniors and young people through different programming to bring positive, mutual benefit to both seniors and young people. COA to brainstorm more ideas around this.

MOTIONS: N/A

Vote:

Member	Made by	Seconded by	In Favor	In Opposition	Abstained
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Brian McCarthy (BM)					
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Comments: Unanimous

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Updates:**Treasurer's Report:****Vote: Move to approve the payment of the Warrant presented by the Treasurer**

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ACTION ITEMS:

-Jim Richman to reach out regarding a booth at Nantasket Car Show

-Lisa Thornton and Greg Grey to connect regarding ideas for collaboration between Senior Center and Parks and Rec.

Next Meeting schedule:

-June 22 at 6 PM

Meeting Adjourned: Maureen O'Brien

Second: Michael Maloon

Respectfully Recorded by Hannah Taverna

Respectfully Submitted by