

Council on Aging Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2023

In Person Meeting @ Greenfield Senior Center

COA Members Present: Chair, Peg Saulnier, Linda Smith, Pat Jordan , Randie Handlemann, Marsha Staples-Love, Michelle DeLisio, Margo Townley, Margot Peck

Absent : Karen McCormick, Janice Cobert

Staff present: Hope Macary, Kathy Dunn, MaryAnn Socquet

LifePath Representative: Michelle Delisio

Guests/Public: none

Peg Saulnier called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

Secretary's Report: Accepted as written. Email correspondence from Big Y read. GCOA has been selected to receive \$1 from every reusable bag sold in the Greenfield Big Y during the month of August 2023.

Treasurer's Report: The petty cash is in balance

Staff Reports:

Hope Macary:

FY24 City Budget – no update.

Age Friendly Project – Phase one (assessment and planning) is almost complete. Phase two has begun for FY24. The group is working on a resource booklet for Greenfield seniors. Funding from FRCOG: Franklin Regional Council of Governments.

Digital Equality Grant – no update

Physical Activity Initiatives:

Open fitness studio - Members only may exercise in fitness room, following the rules. A personal trainer will be allowed if cleared by staff. No group fitness.

Move Your Way – Federal program adapted for use here. People may use the bulletin board to find partners for exercise.

Senior Tax Work Off – In progress and full with 15 participants. Placements to date at the Health Dept., Assessor, City Clerk, Inspections, and COA.

Kitchen mini split – still giving us trouble.

Environmental Impact Reduction – Composting is being considered. Rain barrels planned, but not final yet.

Front Desk – a few new volunteers.

Kathy Dunn:

August newsletter is out.

Community Cuts – Free haircuts for seniors. Very well received, adding more appointments

We will partner with Charlene Manor for a 50/60's party on September 15th.

The Halloween party will be held on October 27th.

MaryAnn Socquet:

We entering Fiscal year 24 in good shape. A full report will be available soon.

Committee Reports:

By-Laws Committee – Randie Handlemann stated that the end is in sight.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: There will be no GCOA meeting in August, September and December 2023

Motion to adjourn by Randie Handlemann, seconded Linda Smith.

Meeting adjourned at 1:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Margot Peck