

**ASHLAND COUNCIL ON AGING (COA)
MINUTES, JUNE 13, 2019**

Board Members Present:

Barbara Thorensen, Carol Love, Joanne Fahey, Jean Delouchry, Diane Hansen and Jim Zebrowski.

Guests:

Joanne Duffy, Kim Kotob and Steve Mitchell

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Chairman Jim Zebrowski

Mission Statement:

The Mission Statement was read by Diane Hansen.

Citizens Participation:

Kim suggested that we schedule the August COA meeting at Ashland House.

The Kim and Candy Show will be going to various places around town and doing light lunches.

On Aug 10th the Friends of the Council on Aging will be sponsoring an event at the Corner Spot.

It was also suggested doing a non-profit day at the Corner Spot in Sept.

Steve announced the Board of Selectmen's name change to the Select Board, pending the vote at Town Meeting.

Secretary's Report:

The May Secretary's report was not available. Jim said that the minutes for May will be read at a future meeting.

Director's Report:

Joanne discussed the Senior Center's summer schedule. The Firefighters luncheon will be held on June 17th... She also announced the town's new maintenance man, Jordan.

Old Business:

Joanne stated as of now, donated food issues are resolved.

New Business:

Carol shared her story of almost being scammed and the concern that the police department did not follow through in researching the issue. Steve suggested getting the police chief to come to a COA meeting. It was also suggested that a flyer be available at the Farmer's Market regarding the warnings of possible scams.

Upcoming market dates are Aug 24th, Sept 28th and Oct 5th. Jim will get back to Izzy to select a date.

The Aug 1st COA meeting will be held at Ashland House. Jim would like to have the October meeting at Park Road. It was agreed that we would skip Ashland Commons for now.

BayPath – Jim Zebrowski was chosen as Vice President of the Board. Jim discussed how BayPath works and their various outreaches. Diane discussed BayPath's Advisory Council and how their grant procedures were handled. Diane will be the Chair of the Advisory Council for the coming year.

Joanne Fahey stated that there are four openings at Park Road, but the director could not be reached to answer anyone's questions. It was suggested that Jack Lewis be contacted about these issues. Jim will contact Jon Fetherston and Joanne will try to contact Candace.

Friends Money – Jim proposed that we not provide any suggestions at this time.

Transportation – the Senior Center does not provide rides on Thurs and Fridays because of their contract with the MWRTA. Seniors can use Dial A Ride which is through the MWRTA.

One Last Thing:

Carol thanked everyone for listening to her story.

Diane thanked everyone for listening to her presentation

Jim announced that in Sept we will need new officers.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 was made. The COA Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jean Delouchry, acting in the interim Secretary's absence.

Note: these minutes are a representation of the action and discussion at the Council on Aging Committee meeting and are not a verbatim transcript.