

**Meeting of the Northborough Council on Aging
May 14, 2019 7:00 Senior Center**

The role of the Northborough Council on Aging is to maintain or increase the quality of life for the mature citizens of our community. We do this through support advocacy, planning, coordination, and implementation of programs that bring mature citizens together for social, recreational, and educational purposes. We seek to educate the entire community and enlist its support and participation.

1. Call to Order: A meeting of the Council on Aging of the Town of Northborough was called to order at 7:00 PM by Adrienne Cost, Chair with the following also present:

Linda Cragin, Member
Jerry Anderson, Member
Phylis Muthee, Member
Alice Stapelfeld, Member

Lee Beavers, Member
Virginia George, Guest
Anita Hagspeil, Friends
Kelly Burke, Senior Center Director

The following COA members were not present:

2. Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes for the April 2019 meeting were approved. Lee Beavers has joined the Board.

3. Friends Report

Anita provided an update: the Friends' Annual Meeting will be 5/20 with a vote for new directors and on June 4th, the Friends and Senior Center are hosting a reception to recognize top donors. Tickets are on sale for the June calendar raffle, a car wash is planned June 8th, and Aug. 9th will be a Murder Mystery dinner with a professional theater group. A Halloween costume party is planned for Oct. with the annual Country Fair in November. The Friends have consolidated their files to make planning events easier.

4. Director's Report

Kelly reported on several outcomes – the Bistro and office project coordinators, initially funded by the Friends are now supported by activity revenues. In June, there will be a volunteer recognition through a gift certificate to the Bistro or classes, etc. The bereavement group is starting up in July, photo classes are going well, new art classes are planned and both AARP and the RMV, respectively, will hold safe driving and Real ID sessions. Kelly and Joselyn are participating in some intensive and productive volunteer training, resulting in a national certificate for volunteer engagement.

5. WRTA Advisory Report

No report.

6. Bay Path

No report. Jerry will rejoin the board in July.

7. Old/New Business and Community Awareness

Discussion continued on a mission statement with feedback from the staff. Another draft was presented, reviewed and edited.

Upon motion made and seconded, it was voted: *The mission of the Northborough Council on Aging/Senior Center is to enrich and enhance the lives of older adults as the hub for all aspects of healthy aging.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Linda Cragin
Secretary