

**TOWN OF BOURNE
BOURNE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER
COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF 9/17/2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilyn Jackson, Gerri Parham-Andos, Dianne Carter, Beverly Armando, Sandra Barnard, Joe Donatelle, Lorraine Young

ABSENT MEMBERS:

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Ken Blanchard, Edith Hurd

OTHER PRESENT: Debi Oliviere-Llanes, Kari Leighton, Arne Carr

Meeting called to order at 11:02 a.m.

MINUTES: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of 8/20/20 as written into record.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Arne Carr advised that the Friends' Pumpkin Patch fundraiser is going forward with Covid precautions in place. While Mass Maritime is assisting them, the Friends are looking for additional volunteers.

OUTREACH: Kari Leighton

- Kari held the *Grandparents Raising Grandkids* support group outside at the Train Bridge.
- She attended COA board meeting, Elder Service board meeting and MCOA trainings.
- Coffee Talk is successful with 2-4 seniors attending regularly.
- 164 meals from Cyd's were distributed, with an added cupcake treat donated from Yummy Cakes.
- 15 more boxes of chicken and cheese are still being distributed.
- A few Outreach meetings were held outside.
- *Meals on Wheels* numbers have increased.
- Discussed the donation from Eastern Bank and getting laptops for selected seniors.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Debi Oliviere-Llanes

- Donna Pascarella has resigned from the board. Ken Blanchard had recent surgery and will be attending next month's meeting.
- Exercise classes on Bourne TV and the COA website have been very popular.

- **Some 1:1 appointments will begin taking place in October with Covid precautions in place.**
- **We received a grant for \$1250 (Title III Cares Act) which we will use to fund an “End of Summer” ice cream event, a “Free Coffee & Muffin” event, and for Cyd’s to provide 100 free turkey dinners to our senior community.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **Debi and Dianne attended the Friends’ meeting and a new logo was approved.**
- **Dianne presented information on the Blue Zone project: Communities that promote healthy habits to enhance longevity, such as waking/biking trails, community/social groups, healthy eating, etc. It was suggested to present this concept to the Selectmen, add bullets in the newsletter and perhaps have Bourne TV highlight it.**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Linda J. Rush
Administrative Assistant**