

**TOWN OF BOURNE
BOURNE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER
COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF 2/25/21**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilyn Jackson, Gerri Parham-Andos, Dianne Carter, Sandra Barnard, Ken Blanchard, Joe Donatelle

ABSENT MEMBERS: Beverly Armando, Jean Hills, Edith Hurd, Lorraine Young

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Beverly Armando, Edith Hurd

OTHER PRESENT: Debi Oliviere-Llanes, Kari Leighton, Merry James

Meeting called to order at 11:03 a.m.

It was noted that everyone loves the new logo for The Bridge and the time and effort that went into the new design is very much appreciated.

MINUTES: Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of 1/21/21 as written into record.

OUTREACH: Kari Leighton

- Merry James was introduced as the newly hired Outreach worker.
- Attended various meetings and webinars
- Coffee Talk continues weekly with a few new additions
- City Fresh out of Dorchester was chosen as the new vendor for Elder services Meals on Wheels program
- The Meals on Wheels bid committee and still looking for a new caterer
- Kari, Debi and Glenn Cannon conducted four interviews for the new outreach position
- 2 knox boxes were installed
- Fuel Assistance application numbers continue to decline. None processed last month.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Debi Oliviere-Llanes

- Cyd's Kitchen continues to provide meals. 31 people purchased 202 meals over the month.
- Elder Law had 6 appointments

- SHINE had 16 appointments
- Mobile Dental came in to provide services for two people
- Five more laptops were given out in the Technology program and 12 sessions were held
- People are signing up for the COAST online programs
- Transportation had 32 medical rides and 24 shopping rides
- AARP tax prep is going well with new safety procedures in place
- We continue to update exercise videos with Bourne TV
- Changes to the Newsletter were agreed upon with the Friends: the COA will pay for printing of The Bridge and has editorial control and the Friends will continue to pay for postage and mailing supplies
- The COA office was inundated with Covid-19 inquiries on obtaining the vaccine.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- There was a motion to vote to proceed with the COA hosting Financial Webinars. Ken Blanchard requested to amend the original motion to include the company name of Edward Jones. The board agreed and voted unanimously for the COA to host Financial Webinars, however, Dianne Carter and Joe Donatelle were not in favor of in-person financial planning consultations; it was so noted.
- Dianne Carter presented highlights from the Friends' board meeting.
- Outreach is beginning a *Friendly Caller Program* in which four board member joined.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 12:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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