

**TOWN OF BOURNE
BOURNE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER
COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF 9/16/21**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilyn Jackson, Gerri Parham-Andos, Jean Hills, Sandra Barnard, Bev Armando, Ken Blanchard, Dianne Carter, Lorraine Young

ABSENT MEMBERS:

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

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

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

MINUTES: Upon a motion made by Ken and seconded by Dianne, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of 8/19/21 as written into record. However, there was also discussion in regards to *Other Business*. It was written that everyone in attendance would be on the new "Binder Committee." However, it was decided at the 9/16/21 meeting that a committee of four (Gerri Parham-Andos, Ken Blanchard, Sandra Barnard and Jean Hills) will be sufficient.

Public Comment: Arne commented on the two new employees at the Friends of Bourne: Heather DiPaulo as the new Coordinator and Joy Hurley as an Administrative Assistant.

OUTREACH: Kari Leighton

- Kari and Merry have attended various meetings and trainings.
- Bourne Manor provided lunches for the month of August to our Wellness Wednesday lunch group.
- Merry did 1 Knox Box. Kari did 1 Knox box. And there were a few removals.
- Merry participated in Coffee Talk with Sherrie.
- Merry will be running the Connection Café starting on October 1st.
- Merry did her first Fuel Assistance application and Kari did two recertifications.
- Wellness Wednesday attendance continues to increase offering a blood pressure clinic, Coffee Talk, Walk & Talk, chair yoga, meditation, followed by lunch. (Provided by Bourne Manor in August.)

- Kari got a new volunteer driver started to get folks to Wellness Wednesday that otherwise would not be able to attend.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Debi Oliviere-Llanes

- Deb attended various meetings and trainings.
- 219 meals were provided by Cyd's Kitchen.
- We had a Food Truck event with Pineapple Caper that served 65 people.
- Regular exercise classes continue to have good attendance. Chair Exercises seem to be in demand right now.
- Reiki has been very popular with many repeat clients.
- While the July/August lunches were sponsored, we will now be asking for a \$3.00 donation for lunch, with the rest to be funded by our Donations account.
- New programs coming include The Connection Café, Your Life Your Legacy, Drum Circle, a Pickle Presentation and Tech Talk. Nutrition for Healthy Aging, Financial Planning, Chair Yoga and Chair Zumba.
- Returning programs include the Tax Work Off program, a Fall Shopping Trip, Low Vision Support Group, the Crafters and the Rug Hooking group.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Ken and Gerri will head up the new "Binder Committee" and set up a meeting to get everything in order.
- Dianne gave highlights of the Friends meeting:
 - The Friends provided a new list of current officers on their board.
 - The Board of Health inspected and passed the Food Pantry on 6/25/21.
 - Financial report registered a loss.
 - The Craft Fair was a success, even though it didn't raise the amount of money typically brought in.
 - Pumpkin Patch will begin on the last Sunday in September at noon. Arne explained the behind the scenes workings and process.
 - A new Facebook page will be produced.

Upon a motion duly made by Jean and seconded by Bev, the board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:38am.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda J. Rush
Administrative Assistant