THE INCENT

East Bridgewater Council on Aging Meeting Minutes

Location: East Bridgewater Senior Center

Date: January 5, 2021

Time: Called to order 6:06 p.m.

Present: Nancy Hill, Director; Robert Ringuette, Chairman; Dee Dee Rogers,

Secretary; M. Haines, Treasurer; Susan Muir, Helen Bomar, Peter

Andrade, Anne Marek, Rosemary Saccocia, Joan Smith, David Sheedy,

Selectmen.

Absent: Kathleen Cavanaugh, Associate Member

REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion to accept made my Rosemary Saccocia, seconded by Helen Bomar, all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was made by Mary Haines. Motion to accept was made by Helen Bomar and seconded by Susan Muir, all were in favor.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Nancy Hill went over her report, all inside classes have been postponed until January 11th at the earliest. The decision to re-open classes will be made based on an update of Covid-19 numbers and advice from the Board of Health.

Town Hall is currently closed to the public and the greeters that were assigned there under the Tax Work off program are on hiatus. Recycle center is status quo.

Kelly is still holding in person meetings either one on one or a couple utilizing all social distancing measures and cleaning takes place after each meeting.

Grab and Go in conjunction with OCES is going very well, 25 people are currently signed up for the event to be held on Tuesday January 12th.

Christmas meal Grab and Go was very successful with 150 participants, Santa arrived and band students of the Junior/Senior High School performed. Freda's Restaurant prepared the meals and was funded by the Howard Foundation, the food was delicious.

A pizza Grab and Go will be held on January 20th, the pizzas are generously donated by Viking Pizza.

The Cable show is still on for Friday January 8th. Joan questioned if it was actually going to be held on January 11th, Nancy stated she would check.

Joe Benson who does Tax Returns will be returning, the appointments are filling up, all scheduled to meet will receive a call the day before their appointment for a screening and to receive instructions on how to enter the building.

Nancy presented a letter with a lookback on 2020, a lot was accomplished during this very difficult year.

Kelly made it through Open Enrollment with a total of 120 appointments.

Meals on Wheels now have 3 daily volunteers doing deliveries due to increased participation.

Budget is attached to Nancy's report.

SELECTMAN SHEEDY'S REPORT

Selectmen David Sheedy shared that the special town meeting will be held on January 11th to address the 16 articles that were passed over at the town meeting held in late June, they are mostly money articles.

There will be a Covid-19 free testing event at the Junior/Senior High School on Saturday January 9th and Sunday January 10th. This is a drive through event and is open to anyone, you do not need to be a resident of East Bridgewater to participate. The Town Website has additional information. This was made possible by the hard work of the Fire Chief and Sue Mulloy with the Board of Health. There is no word on administration of the Covid-19 vaccine.

Senator Timilty was very successful in securing an additional 25,000 in funding for East Bridgewater from the State.

CHAIRMANS REPORT

Chairman Robert Ringuette shared two of the 12 Commandments of Aging and an amusing handout.

Motion to Adjourn was made at 6:35 p.m. by Helen Bomar and seconded by Rosemary Saccocia, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Dee Dee Rogers