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Bridgewater Elder Affairs Commission Meeting

Monday March 14, 2022, 2:00pm

Virtual Via Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96002444815>

Meeting ID: 960 0244 4815 Call in Option: 646-876-9923

Disclosure: Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Bridgewater Elder Affairs Committee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible.

Members:

Chair, David Frim	_____	Doug Dorr	_____
Vice Chair, Nick Bagas	_____	Rich Gopen	_____
Treasurer, Gloria Lemieux	_____	Debbie Heckbert	_____
Secretary, Sandy Alley	_____	Marylou Harding	_____
Karen Aicher	_____	Diane Roza	_____
Vacancy	_____	Robin Sherick	_____

Call to order at: _____

1. Announcements and Holiday Closings
2. Subcommittee Reports
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Director's Report
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Recreation Committee Meeting – Rescheduled to April 4th
 - b. Update: S.A.V.E. 2022
7. Next meeting: April 11, 2022, at 2:00pm
8. Public Comment
9. Adjournment



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CHAIRMAN, DAVID FRIM CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 2:05 PM (SORRY BUT AT THIS POINT I HAD FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE MEETING AND WAS NOT ON THE ZOOM MEETING - IF I MISSED SOMETHING IMPORTANT, PLEASE ADD IT IN).

DAVID SAID THAT THERE SEEMS TO BE DIFFICULTY IN GETTING STUDENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP CLEAN UP SENIOR CITIZENS YARDS. THERE IS NO ONE AVAILABLE FROM BSU. DOUG DORR SAID MAYBE CONTACT THE THREE LIONS CLUBS IN OUR TOWN TO GET VOLUNTEERS. MAYBE EVEN BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS? DAVID SAID HE BOUGHT SOME SNACKS AND HANDED THEM OUT TO HIS PEOPLE ON HIS BISTRO DELIVERY ROUTE. THEY WERE VERY HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO CHOOSE SOMETHING FROM THE BAG HE OFFERED EACH PERSON AND IT KIND OF OPENED UP A CONVERSATION WITH THEM. EMILY SAID THERE WERE FUNDS TO BUY THESE LITTLE EXTRAS AND PERHAPS WE COULD OFFER THEM TO MEALS ON WHEELS CLIENTS TOO.

THERE ARE NO NEW UPDATES ON THE PORTICO. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR SLOT AVAILABLE WITH BRISTOL PLYMOUTH TECHNICAL SCHOOL BEFORE THEY MOVE ON TO ANOTHER JOB. ON A POSITIVE NOTE, THE FRENCH DOORS HAVE ARRIVED.

THE ELDER AFFAIRS COMMISSION WILL HOLD ELECTIONS FOR OFFICERS IN MARCH. BECAUSE REGINA HAS MOVED TO MIDDLEBORO SHE CAN NO LONGER SERVE ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE. DAVID IS LOOKING FOR ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE EAC TO SERVE.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GLORIA GAVE US AN OVERVIEW OF THE HOWARD FOUNDATION GRANT FOR THE YEAR AND HOW MONIES WERE SPENT. SHE ALSO HAS A MONTHLY REPORT WITH BALANCES AND EXPENSES.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

FOR YEARS WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY TREASURER'S REPORT AND NOW WE CAN CONGRATULATE GLORIA FOR A JOB WELL DONE IN PROVIDING A MONTHLY REPORT! SOMETIMES OUR PROGRAMS DO WELL AND SOMETIMES THEY DON'T. BALLROOM DANCING IS NOT GOING WELL AT THIS TIME AS FAR AS PARTICIPATION GOES, SO THE CLASS WILL BE DROPPED. EMILY WANTED EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT ANYONE CAN DONATE ANY AMOUNT OF MONEY TO THE NEEDY SENIORS FUND. A 1000.00 DONATION WAS RECENTLY RECEIVED. COURTNEY, OUR NEW WELLNESS AND ACTIVITY DIRECTOR IS DOING REALLY GREAT. DONNA H., THE OLD COLONY MEAL SITE COORDINATOR IS KEEPING THINGS WORKING SMOOTHLY. SHE WILL BE ORGANIZING A SENIOR LUNCH PROGRAM ON

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MONDAYS, TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS BEGINNING IN MARCH IN PERSON! THERE WILL BE A ST. PATRICK'S DINNER BUT ON ST PATRICK'S DAY THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP WILL BE HAVING A SPECIAL MEAL.

BISTRO MEALS WILL CONTINUE AT \$5.00 PER MEAL, DELIVERED. MAYBE BISTRO MEALS CAN BE SERVED INDOORS ON WEDNESDAYS.

MARCH IS NUTRITION AWARENESS MONTH.

THE SAVE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN REVAMPED. THE SENIOR CENTER RECEIVED 15 APPLICATIONS AND THEY HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO HR. JOB DESCRIPTIONS ARE BEING DEVELOPED AND TYPICALLY SAVE VOLUNTEERS WORK FROM 9 TO 12 MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. THIS PROGRAM RUNS FROM JANUARY THROUGH NOVEMBER. RICH ASKED ABOUT PURCHASING A RAIN GARDEN KIT AND LUMBER TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT. IT WOULD PROBABLY COST APPROXIMATELY \$2000.00 AND THE GARDEN CLUB WOULD MAINTAIN IT. GARDEN CLUB WILL HELP WITH RE-HOMING THE SHRUBS AND BULBS THAT WILL BE PULLED UP AROUND THE SENIOR CENTER WHEN THE SCHOOL PROJECT COMES TO THAT PHASE. RICH ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE OPERATION OF THE PICKLE-BALL COURTS AND OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO PICKLE-BALL. THERE WILL BE A RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING ON MARCH 7 AT 7:00 P M WHERE THAT AND EQUIPMENT, LESSONS, TIME SLOTS, ETC. CAN BE DISCUSSED.

TRANSPORTATION: OUR VAN IS OUT FOR REPAIR BUT SCOTT IS STILL SEEING THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING WHERE THEY NEED TO GO. THE VAN SHOULD BE READY SOON.

THE BISTRO MEAL FROM RODNEY'S IN HALIFAX WENT VERY WELL. THERE WERE 125 PEOPLE THAT RECEIVED THE MEAL!

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ELDER AFFAIRS COMMISSION WILL BE ON MARCH 14 AT 2:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:00 P M

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
SANDRA ALLEY, SECRETARY
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