

Council on Aging Board Meeting-Thursdays May 14, 2020

Call to order 5:08 p.m.

Attendance - Board members: JD Miller Co-Chair, Janice Desmond, Janice Lindblom, Caitlin Coyle, Lucille Sorrentino, Leslie James. Associate board member, Pat Carleton. Linda Hayes, COA Director. Elaine Schembari, liaison to FOSS. Liaison to the Board of Selectmen, Karen Canfield.

Absent members: Susan Kelley, Maud Muelstee; and Joan Powers, liaison to South Shore Elder Services.

Henry Yeh has resigned from the Board.

The minutes for March 2020 were edited and approved.

Director's Report: Linda reviewed Covid 19 activities.

General: The website info was updated re: Outreach Services and Online activities. Contact with Seniors via Broadcast and Emails. Newsletter created and mailed for May/June.

No activity re tax work offs, new website (scituatecoa.org), fundraising plans for Naming Rooms.

Transportation: Rides to essential services/supermarkets, some medical rides. SSCAC discontinued all trips, with the exception of two weekly medical trips for a single individual.

Outreach: Staff checking on 150 + individuals. Outreach for meals, food assistance, referrals, etc., etc. There was large collaboration of community volunteers and town resources; great effort to collect and provide a single source for identifying and responding to community needs.

Programs: Some have been reworked to create virtual versions. SCTV, YouTube, Zoom were all used to provide programs. A few were cancelled: Matter of Balance, Aging Mastery, Art for the Mind.

Linda outlined the Scituate Loves Local initiative.

Work on the Senior Center Construction is ongoing. Weekly meeting with Delphi continues. Construction appears to be on schedule.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.