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Bridgewater Elder Affairs Commission Meeting

Monday March 8, 2021 3:00pm
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.

There will be no in person attendance permitted.

Members:

Chair, David Frim _____

Vice Chair, Nick Bagas _____

Treasurer - vacant position

Secretary, Sandy Alley _____

Regina Cohen ____ Joan Colombo _____

Debbie Heckbert ____ Karen Aicher _____

Gloria Lemieux ____ Marylou Harding _____

Diane Roza ____ Robin Sherrick _____

Call to order at: _____

1. Approval of February Meeting Minutes
2. Announcements and Holiday Closings: Partial re-opening March 15
3. Subcommittee Reports
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Director's Report
6. Old Business
7. New Business – new EAC member Rich Gopen
8. Next meeting: April 12, 2021 3:00pm (Zoom Link above)
9. Public Comment
10. Adjournment

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THE FEBRUARY MEETING OF THE EAC WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:03 PM BY CHAIRMAN, DAVID FRIM.

THE JANUARY MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HOLIDAY CLOSINGS: BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY NEXT MONDAY. OTHERWISE, THE BUILDING WILL BE AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT:

THE VALENTINE TO GO BOXES WILL BE READY FOR PICKUP AT 11:30 AM ON FEBRUARY 10. WE WILL BE DOING CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY - PROBABLY SERVING 56 OR SO PEOPLE.

TREASURERS REPORT: NONE

EMILY HAD A BUDGET MEETING. THE HOWARD GRANT IS ALMOST AT ZERO FROM \$5000.00. IN THE PAST WE USED TO RECEIVE 15 TO 20 THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT WE NEVER USED ALL OF IT SO THEY LESSEned WHAT THEY GAVE US.

MICHAEL DUTTON MET WITH TOWN COUNCIL TO SUBMIT THE BUDGET. CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - REPLACEMENT OF AWNING IN FRONT OF BUILDING - 200K, GENERAL FUND WILL REMAIN THE SAME AT 198K. THE PICKLE BALL COURTS NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDING BUT HOPEFULLY WILL BE DONE BY THE END OF SPRING. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF ADDING BATHROOMS ON THE OUTSIDE WALL OF THE SENIOR CENTER TO FACILITATE PICKLE BALL PLAYERS. THE HUNT SCHOOL FUND STANDS AT 49K. WE USED THAT FUND TO REMODEL THE KITCHEN. THE NUTRITION FUND IS 8K. THIS IS MONEY THAT WE TAKE IN SUCH AS \$5.00 PER EVENT. TWO LARGE DONATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00 EACH HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. AT LEAST 10 CLIENTS PER WEEK ARE RECEIVING A FREE MEAL. EMILY IS WAITING TO HEAR IF THE CARES ACT FUND WILL BE REPLENISHED.

THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM IS GROWING. SCOTT WILL BE DRIVING SENIORS TO THE SENIOR CENTER FOR THE VACCINE DAILY WHEN THE VACCINE BECOMES AVAILABLE. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE BIG Y IN KINGSTON HAS VACCINE..

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EMILY MENTIONED THAT WHEN IT COMES TIME TO PAVE WALLY KRUGER WAY THAT IT WOULD BE NICE FOR THEM TO PAVE THE SENIOR CENTER LOT TOO.

THE BUDGET EXPENDITURE PER SENIOR CITIZEN WILL GO FROM \$12.00 TO \$9.00.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

ST PATRICK'S DAY MEAL -- 120 LIMIT. THE MEAL WILL BE COOKED ON THE 16TH AND DELIVERED ON THE 17TH. THERE WILL BE 110 MEALS PREPARED FOR VALENTINES DAY.

104 PEOPLE "LIKE" THE FACEBOOK PAGE!

COVID -- THERE WILL BE 4 TO 6 PEOPLE WORKING TO ANSWER A COVID LINE AT THE SENIOR CENTER. THIS SHOULD BE ACTIVATED NEXT WEEK. SENIORS SHOULD STILL CALL THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO GET ON THE COVID INFO LIST. VETERANS SHOULD BE GOING THROUGH THE VA HOSPITAL FOR COVID INFO.

PROGRAMS ARE GOING WELL -- ESPECIALLY THE WELLNESS CLASSES.

THE NEWSLETTER HAS BEEN DELAYED BUT WILL GO OUT NEXT WEEK.

THE INTERNS ARE DOING WELL.

LESLIE BARBOZA IS STARTING UP "JOSIE'S VILLAGE". IT IS A GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS TO HELP THE ELDERLY GROCERY SHOP, PICK UP PRESCRIPTIONS, ETC.

THERE WILL BE A NAME AVAILABLE FOR TAX PREP. THE CHARGE WILL BE \$40 FOR A SIMPLE TAX RETURN.

PHYSICAL THERAPY UNIVERSITY IS AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT

ONLY INDOORS AT THE SENIOR CENTER.

THE ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE SENIOR CENTER BEING CLOSED IS COMING UP. SHOULD WE DO SOMETHING TO COMMEMORATE IT?



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KAREN RUDD IS RETIRING. WHAT SHOULD WE DO FOR HER?

WE NEED TO PRESENT THE AWARD TO PAT BOYLE.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE EAC WILL BE ON MARCH 8, 2021 AT 3:00 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:02 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SANDRA ALLEY, SECRETARY

EAC