

**GROVELAND COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES 9/16/20**

ATTENDING: Kathryn Alesse, Dot DiChiara, Laurel Puchalski, Frank Sadowski, Anita Wright, Lynne Stanton

CALL TO ORDER: Motion made by L. Puchalski, seconded by F.Sadowski at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME The Board welcomed Anita Wright to the Board

MINUTES:

- Motion made by K. Alesse to approve Minutes of 6/17/20 meeting, seconded by F. Sadowski. Voted by majority vote. A.Wright abstained as she was not present at the meeting.

TREASURER REPORT:

- Motion to accept report by L. Puchalski, seconded by K.Alesse. Unanimously accepted.
- Budget is on track. The balance from FY20 was returned to Town.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- New Outreach Worker Maria Yagual was introduced.
- Many outreach calls are being made to residents as "check-ins" during COVID.
- Van had to be towed from Amesbury and a new starter installed. Fortunately there were no passengers at the time, but unfortunately the towing cost added to the cost: \$895. Van needs to be replaced so that there is a consistent and reliable form of transportation.
- Haverhill COA (via M. Yagual) reached out to offer boxes of groceries, including some fresh and frozen items. There will be 7 boxes delivered every other week.
- Monthly Brown Bag food deliveries continue.
- West Newbury drivers are delivering 13 meals to Groveland residents Monday-Friday.
- Donations have continued to come in as food needs are rising.
- COA has received a \$5000 grant from Elder Services for "Outreach and Nutrition". Masks, sixty \$50 Market Basket gift cards for the pantry, updates for software/capacity for a laptop have been purchased and a new laptop for Outreach worker's "work from home" time will be purchased.
- Application for FY21 Formula grant and the Annual Report form for the Executive Office of Elder Affairs from the state has not been received as yet.

OTHER:

- Slate of officers remains the same.

NEXT MEETING: October 21, 2020 9:30 a.m. Training Room of Main Street Fire Station

ADJOURNED: 10:45 am. Motion to adjourn by L. Puchalski, seconded by A. Wright

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: Laurel Puchalski

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