

Town of Millville Council on Aging
Minutes of Meeting February 15, 2024

Meeting was held at the Millville Senior Center

Members in Attendance: Diane Lamoureux, Chairperson,
Pat Finn, Secretary
Pam Kobetitsch
Richard Hurteau
Tina Cook, Director

Members Absent: Larry Pearson
Sue Robbins
Sandy Caswell

Guests/Public: Lori Remillard, Don Lamoureux

Diane Lamoureux called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance.**

2. **Minutes of COA Meeting January 18, 2024:** Because there was not a quorum present of COA Members who attended the 1/18/24 meeting, a vote could not be taken to accept these minutes. This will be held until our next regularly scheduled meeting on March 21, 2024.
Minutes from Budget Meeting January 26, 2024: Because there was not a quorum present of COA Members who attended the 1/18/24 meeting, a vote could not be taken to accept these minutes. This will be held until our next regularly scheduled meeting on March 21, 2024.

3. **Monthly Budget Review:** Copy provided by Tina of January/February to date expenses. \$178.00 was spent with Darling in order to replace a relief valve on our well system. \$1128.52 was paid to our van drivers out of our Formula Grant since our salary line has been depleted. This amount will be reimbursed by our new Transportation Grant once the paperwork is submitted to the State. \$341.84 in postage and \$32.68 for envelopes was spent in order to complete a first class mailing to all senior citizens (age 65+). These two amounts will also be reimbursed from the Transportation Grant. \$128.00 was spent from the Formula Grant but will be reimbursed from our new Nutrition Grant.

Pat asked about the mailer to our seniors and was told that of the 500 mailed out, only 15 were "returned to sender." We have only heard back from 2 so far to be added to our mailing list. Lori and Teri (our tax workoff employee) worked on the mailing in several batches.

4. New Business:

a. Upcoming Events: Our Fall Prevention Seminar was rescheduled to Tuesday, February 27th at 1:00 p.m. Pat will add a reminder on Facebook.

Our February movie, scheduled for Thursday, February 29th, is 'What Happens Later" with Meg Ryan. Pat will also promote this on Face book.

Pat also brought up the possibility of local businesses sponsoring our monthly movies. Neil at Millville Gas has already requested to do so. After some discussion, it was decided that we would first contact Neil and subsequently contact other businesses to sponsor with items such as raffle tickets, free services, gift certificates, etc., instead of food at the movie (because of our new Thursday Nutrition program with lunch offering). Pat will contact Neil and promote the event. This will be a win-win for the Senior Center and local businesses. **A motion was made by Richard and seconded by Pat to work on sponsorships for our monthly movies. Unanimous vote.**

Tina is planning a possible field trip to Hobbie Lobby in March as well as a trip to Blackstone Valley Tech's Cosmetology Department or their Three Seasons Restaurant. She will reach out to BVT to formalize plans.

Pat provided a business card for a local magician (Uxbridge) as a possible fund event for the Spring. Tina will contact Tony Matozzo for more information.

b. Annual Report to the Town of Millville: Tina handed out a 2-page writeup covering events, services, programs, and improvements at the Millville Senior Center during 2023. This will be added to the annual town report and handed out at the annual town meeting.

c. Other items not received within 48 hours prior to the meeting: Nothing mentioned.

5. Old/pending Business:

a. BVT/Dog Toy Trip Summary: Great trip, all involved were very enthused by the interaction with student council, learning to make dog toys, the tour of several shops, and lunch at the Three Seasons Restaurant. We hope to repeat something similar in the future. Kevin Sullivan also joined the tour.

b. Policies and Procedures Update: Pat handed out the pages that were reviewed and updated at our last COA Meeting. Brief discussion entailed on the MEMA Generator and who owns the testing, etc. Tina will contact the TA to discuss further. We have done our part by documenting the instructions. Someone in town should be responsible for testing same. The entire P&P Book will be uploaded and sent to Diane Lockwood for posting on our COA/Town of Millville website.

6. Member Forum:

Richard had several questions as follows:

Is there an age requirement to be a member of the COA? *No, the only requirement is to be a resident of Millville and have knowledge/interest in senior citizens.*

Can seniors from outside of Millville participate in our programs at the Senior Center? *Yes, all seniors are welcome!*

Can funds be expended from the Beaulieu Account on non-resident seniors? *We make no distinction as to where our participants are from. The Beaulieu Account is to be used for fun events for seniors, usually held at the Senior Center, and sponsored by the COA.*

Tina mentioned that someone called to inquire about renting the Senior Center for a Talent Show in April. She will get more information, have our rental form filled out, and bring the information before the COA for a vote.

7. Public Forum:

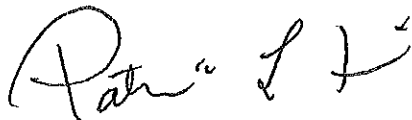
Nothing mentioned.

8. Next meeting Date:

The next regularly scheduled COA Meeting will be on Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment:

Richard made a motion and Pam seconded it that the meeting be adjourned. **Unanimous vote by all COA members in attendance, and meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.**



3-21-24

Minutes respectfully submitted by Patricia Finn, Secretary, COA.

Approved by: Diane Lamoureux, Pat Finn, Pam Kobetitsch, Richard Hurteau

Minutes Accepted on: March 21, 2024

Copies provided at meeting:

1. Agenda for February 15, 202 meeting.
2. January/February expenses
3. COA Town Book Insertion
4. Updated pages to Policies and Procedures