

BERKLEY COUNCIL ON AGING
MINUTES OF MEETING
June 1, 2023

Board Present: Margaret Moroff, Arlene Medeiros, Cathy Charette, Kathee Strozyk, and Carol Buote

I. Call to Order

Margaret Moroff called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

II. Margaret Moroff announced that the meeting is not being videotaped. The cable commission is looking for camera operators

III. Acceptance of Prior Minutes

1. The board voted unanimously to accept the meeting minutes from May 4, 2023

IV. FY 2023 Budget Update – Arlene Medeiros provided the budget update as of May 02, 2023

1. Town Budget Balance: Salary Account = \$17,650.71 Other Expenses = \$1,310.18
2. Formula Grant: \$15,845.30
3. Earmark Grant: \$3,222.70 This has to be spent by June 30, 2023.
4. Program Donations Balance: \$6313.80
5. General Donations Balance: \$4,446.36

V. Events -

1. Margaret Moroff discussed ceramics and painting classes. Krista Celia suggested planning dates in advance so that the dates can make the newsletter.
2. Planning the Senior Lunch – Krista Celia presented options for the senior lunch. The Ward 5 Venue was suggested as the best option due to being the best cost by a lot. Roberta Poli was at the meeting and describe the inside of the venue. Arlene Medeiros asked about parking and Roberta confirmed that the venue has a large parking lot. Margaret Moroff suggested the funding come from the formula grant and that non-Berkley residents pay for their ticket. Arlene Medeiros asked about entertainment. Margaret Moroff suggested just music. Arlene Medeiros suggested the time for the event be 12:00 sharp. Margaret Moroff said the bar would be for drinks. Kathee Strozyk asked if the bar has liquor and Margaret said yes. The fee of \$20 for out-of-town residents was suggested. Krista Celia asked if the friends from out of town would have to pay. Margaret Moroff answered that active friends would not have to pay. Krista Celia asked if they could provide a list. Krista Celia asked if Berkley residents should be allowed time to sign up first and Margaret Moroff said no.
3. Refuse to be a Victim– Krista Celia discussed the information received about a potential Refuse to be a Victim workshop. Margaret Moroff said a 4-hour seminar may be a little too long. The board discussed breaking it up into 3 sessions. The cost of per person was discussed and Krista Celia mentioned that Kerrie Ann wrote she would consider making the event shorter and charge a flat fee. Nancy Thompson said maybe we should just try 1 first to see how it goes. Kathee Strozyk said the Tom Quinn event at the COA had a great turn out. Krista Celia said she would reach back out to Kerrie Ann Auclair.

4. The board discussed manicures. Kerrie Anns preferred time slots of Monday or Tuesday mornings are not available due to scheduling conflicts. Krista Celia said she would see about different times Kerrie Ann could potentially be available.
 5. **Group Health Talks from MCR Chiropractic** – Krista Celia said that the group health talks seem to be a promotion for selling chiropractic services. The board decided not to move forward with having a representative present at the center.
 6. **New events and programs**
 - A. Carole Buote asked about Podiatry and Krista Celia said that we are waiting for a date. Arlene Medeiros reminded the board that we are waiting for the CORI for the doctor and his assistant.
 - B. Arlene Medeiros said the Mah Jong players need a new table. Nancy Thomson said that there is one in the shed. Carol Buote motioned to purchase a table if there is not one in the shed. The motion was seconded and the board voted in favor.
 - C. Margaret Moroff said she is looking for ideas for men's activities. Margaret said shoot and bowling have been suggested. Kathee Strozyk suggested the Historical Society she also suggest a tour of the Fairhaven Highschool because it is an amazing building.
- VI. Handicapped Signs** - The board discussed the Handicapped Signs in the parking lot. Happy Hearts and Members of the Friends will be requesting additional signs. Carol Buote asked about the painting of the parking lot and it was discussed that the town will be sealcoating and painting the parking lot potentially June 9th.
- VII. Friends of the COA Report:**
1. Roberta Poli was at the meeting and said that the Essex Train Trip has been posted. The Woosox event is coming up and more signups are needed. Patsy Cline was coming up.
 2. Nancy Thompson said that monthly lunches were starting June 28th. The first one will be a meatball sub with chips and water for five dollars. She said the fishing trip has 15 spots and 13 spots are taken. There will be a Wine tasting in October at Debucas.
 3. Roberta Poli said there will be a cookout on the common for the 4th of July. Krista Celia asked if people need to sign up and was told no people just show up.
- VIII. Dugan** – Margaret Moroff said that there would be a collection for the Dugans.
- IX. The next meeting will be July 13th in the senior center at 9:30 a.m.**
- X.** Carol Buote motioned to adjourn and the motion was seconded and the board voted in favor.