

Amesbury COA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2025

In Attendance: Arthur Levine – Chair, Maggie Miller - Vice Chair, Sue Ballard – Secretary, Lawrence Leahy – Treasurer, Allison Rice, Kliggie Thomas, Tom MacLachlan, Courtney Hutchinson - Assistant Director, Cathleen Jillson – Admin. Assistant, & Jack Supino – Program Coordinator

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Arthur shared that Cynthia Costello is interested in joining the Board.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the February 13 and March 13, 2025 meetings were reviewed and accepted. Motion to accept the minutes made by Kliggie, second by Maggie; unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Larry reported expenditures from the Revolving account of \$159.41 in February and \$149.63 in March for gas in the van, leaving an ending balance of \$16,805.79. The Misc. Grants Fund had an expenditure of \$700.68 for My Senior Center Key tags, replacement wall clocks, and reimbursement for birthday flowers and a card for 103-year-old senior, leaving an ending balance of \$14,239.99. Larry will be stepping down as treasurer at the next election.

Statistics: Maggie presented first quarter stats in spreadsheet and graph formats showing 109 new members and a significant increase in meals on wheels. It was noted that Social Services are down slightly, likely due to the temporary staff decrease and the need for some clients to be referred out. Some assistance applicants were changed to every other year or every three years to be recertified, resulting in lower numbers.

Director's Report, presented by Courtney:

COA Team Update

- Program Coordinator Jack Supino is getting up to speed and doing well. The Red Sox event was very successful. Attended by 50 people.
- Rich Stewart, a volunteer social worker that has been with us for 5 years will be leaving June 5th.
- Dave is doing odds and ends around the center with Courtney's direction as the van is currently not being used. The new van should be available 5/25. The Rec. Department's van is being used on Fridays to take clients to Our Neighbors Table and the Seabrook Loop.

Costello Center Update

- Reached out to MEVA maintenance to see if they can fix the fencing around the dumpsters in the parking lot. They are rotting and the gates no longer shut. They are also looking at the foundation in which salt has made holes.

Spring Programming

- Senior Tax Work-off participants have started at the center.
- Tim, our previous van driver has started a new music class.
- Jack will be running Musical Bingo on Mondays in place of the van trips.
- Age Span volunteer celebration was April 9th so there was no onsite lunch served. Courtney and Rich hosted a Taco Bar which was enjoyed by all.

No FCOA updates this month.

The next regular meeting is May 8th.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Ballard, Secretary