

Minutes of the Council on Aging Meeting

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 11:00 a.m. French Park

Meeting called to order at 11:10

Present were: Bruce Bernstein, Chairman, Georgette Kinney, Carolyn Palmucci, Thea Basis, Eve Goldberg, Cory Hines, Chet Delaney, and Peg Muskrat, Adm. Asst.

Chat/Reflection: Mt. Washington will be hosting a presentation/discussion on the subject of "Resilience in the Time of Covid and Beyond". Peg passed out a survey to the Board for their approval .. This would collect info on the same subject and, hopefully, lead to a discussion at the Sept. outdoor gathering at French Park. Bruce mentioned alarming concerns over local road safety.

Minutes of July 15 were approved.

Senior Taxi Grant...the grant was amended in order to make a cabulance available to people in wheelchairs, etc. Those in need of rides using the grant must go thru Peg in order to arrange a ride. Peg continues to collect data on types of rides and amount of usage.

Ombudsman efforts are on hold for the time being.

An outdoor, end of Summer bag lunch gathering at French Park is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 9th. Mt. Washington will pay for the music. Georgette will arrange for bag lunches. Surveys regarding how people are holding up will be distributed and a microphone will be made available for conversation. Hand sanitizer, wipes, gloves, etc. will be available. No donation will be required for the event. A reservation will be required since there is a capacity limit of 50. Peg will advertise and is looking for name suggestions. In case of rain, a bag lunch will be available for pick up. RSVP is required.

2020/2021 Calendar/Events...an outdoor October birthday party is being planned and Thea volunteered Alford funding for background music. For the following months virtual presentations are being discussed.

Georgette and Eve are looking into setting up a kiosk at the top of Baldwin Hill and perhaps other locations. These kiosks would allow for neon vests to be readily available as well as maps and rules of the road for bikers and walkers.

Next meeting Wed., Sept. 16 at 11:00 at French Park.

Meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Eve Goldberg