

TOWN OF PRINCETON
COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2018
12:15 P.M.

PRINCETON SENIOR CENTER, 206 WORCESTER ROAD

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jane Fife, Barbara Guthrie, Wendy Pape, Susan Stolberg,
Terry Thompson, Mike Warren
DIRECTOR: Aimee Kindorf
UNABLE TO ATTEND: Beverly Kohlstrom, Council Member
William Andrysick, Advisory Member

The September 11, 2018 COA Board meeting minutes were approved as presented.

COA BOARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. A draft of a document prepared by Nina Nazarian and the Select Board on the roles and responsibilities of the Princeton COA board and the Commonwealth of MA "Guide for (COA) Board Member" were distributed to Council Members in attendance. It was agreed that Board members would review the two documents and bring back comments/suggestions to the November Board meeting.

COA FY19 BUDGET. A Copy of the COA budget was distributed to members. Updated reports can be made available every two weeks. The membership agreed that a more detailed report is needed to determine the amount of program funding that might be available. It was noted that the formula grant from the State has not become available to date. It is assumed that amount may be in the \$6,000-\$7,000 range. Discussion was centered around the possibility of whether the COA could accept donations to help defray costs of various events. It was noted that COA's in other municipalities do collect donations. Answers to that question will be researched. It was agreed to include a review of the budget at monthly meetings and that a more detailed report will be requested.

HEALTH FAIR. The Health Fair/Flu Shot Clinic will be held on Thursday, October 4th, from 11:00 – 1:00 at the town Annex. Members were asked to come at 10:15 to help set up the room. Aimee will have cider/cookies/doughnuts available. Members are asked to be there at 1:00 p.m. to help with cleanup.

PRINCETON CULTURAL COUNCIL GRANTS. A grant has been submitted to bring Storyteller, Steve Henderson in for a performance in March 2019. Other grants being considered are for Storyteller, Davis Bates; Bluegrass singers, "The Green Sisters;" and Pianist, Jennifer Antkowiak. All performances will be scheduled for 2019. Cultural grants are on an 18 month cycle (July – December.)

HALLOWEEN PARTY. The event will be held on Friday, October 26th, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Menu will include soup/cheese and crackers/fruit/cookies and doughnuts/warm apple cider. Participants are encouraged to come in costume. Gift basket prizes will be awarded for the scariest, funniest and most original costumes.

HARVEST LUNCHEON. The luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 14th, at 12:00 noon. The menu will be complete dinners (2 turkey, 1 ham) which will be purchased at a local supermarket.

UPDATE ON SONOMA SPACE. Aimee reported there was no new information. The town is still waiting for the lease to be signed.

NEW BUSINESS. ROLE OF MONTACHUSETT OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL (MOC). Discussion was tabled for a future meeting.

FUTURE PROGRAMMING. The walking club will begin on Thursday, October 4th and be held every Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. Several inquiries have been made so there is interest in this activity.

Mike Warren discussed the possibility of offering a four hour Driver Safety Course geared toward senior citizens. Mike has been through the course and is qualified to teach it. If someone is a member of AARP the cost of the course would be \$15. It was suggested that the course be divided into 2, 2 hour sessions and that participants pay the fee in advance. AV equipment would be needed to use in presenting the material. An inventory of what AV equipment the COA may have available will be taken.

Plans for a December Christmas party will be developed at the November Board meeting.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018, 12:15 P.M.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara Guthrie, Secretary