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SANDWICH COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES FOR February 1, 2019

OPENING: Chairman Neal O'Brien called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

PRESENT: Chair Neal O'Brien, Vice Chair Michael Bondarek, Treasurer John Vibberts, Secretary Pat Collins, Board Members Pat Walsh, Mary Jo French and Karen Cotter (by phone), and Director Susan Marancik.

ABSENT: Board Member Judy Hendy.

GUESTS: Board of Selectmen Robert George and Shane Hocter, Finance Committee Chair Mark Snyder.

MINUTES for December 21, 2018 were read and accepted as written.

TREASURER/FINANCE REPORT: Nothing to report.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: A. Director anticipates purchasing a Ford Escape dedicated to outreach and nursing. All else in the budget is status quo. The Sandwich Women's Club has donated \$1,000 to the COA for caregiver respite grants. B. An indoor cornhole tournament and picnic are planned for February. Cape-wide COA Directors are planning an intertown cornhole tournament. Programming is being planned for Saturdays. Susan is working with Karyn Wendell to plan both day and overnight trips. The cycling group will start up again in the Spring and will be led by Jeff Hyman, an Appalachian Club trained cyclist. A lifelong learning series on all aspects of retirement is in the preliminary stages of planning. In March, a judge from the Trial Court will present a community outreach program. C. A ½ day retreat for COA staff was held at the Sand Hill School to work on a strategic plan for the next 18 months. D. The Healthy Aging Cape Cod survey is available on-line. In May or June, a joint meeting will be scheduled between the COA AND THE CCRTA. E. Work is ongoing to improve the line of sight at the center's entrance.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: C. Two seats remain open. Pat Walsh can re-up, but Neal O'Brien's term expires in June and a replacement chair must be chosen.

OLD BUSINESS: John Vibberts emphasized that the COA Board is an advisory one, established by 1965 state legislation. An extensive discussion followed regarding the most efficient use of the Santander bank building and the economic advantages to the town. Mr. Snyder suggested a public/private partnership might serve to advance a social day program which would provide



respite to in-home care partners. Mr. George and Mr. Hctor said they supported the proposed Center for Active Living but that the need to consolidate town offices was paramount. The Board of Selectman's proposal to purchase the Santander building for the purpose of consolidation needs 2/3's approval at town meeting. In addition to the purchase price, they are seeking \$1.3 million for renovation costs.

NEW BUSINESS: Mary Jo French announced that Spaulding will be hosting a "Get to Know Your Community Resources" program on March 18. Susan announced joint meetings will be held monthly with the COA, Fire and Police departments.

NEXT MEETING: February 22, 2019 at 8:45.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Collins, Secretary