

WEST BOYLSTON COUNCIL ON AGING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
NOVEMBER 27, 2023

PRESENT: DAVID FEMIA, JANICE ASH, BARBARA MARD, THOMAS MULLINS AND LISA CLARK VIKLUND.

ABSENT: BARBARA DESCHENES AND JOHN RILEY

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:02 BY CHAIRMAN FEMIA;

THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 MEETING WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

COA DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. THE PRESCOTT CAFÉ IS GOING WELL; 131 MEALS (LUNCHESES AND COOKING CLASSES) HAVE BEEN WELL ATTENDED AND ALMOST BREAKING EVEN.
2. VETERANS COFFEE GROUP WITH THE AUXILIARY AT THE AMERICAN LEGION PROVIDING THE FOOD. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF STARTING A WOMEN'S VETERANS GROUP; THERE ARE 60 PRESENT IN OUR AREA.
3. THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP WILL RESTART IN JANUARY.
4. PUMP STATION AS WELL AS OTHER AREAS ARE GOING WELL REGARDING MAINTENANCE.
5. ELDER SERVICES IS HIRING SOMEONE TO HELP WITH MEALS ON WHEELS.
6. THERE WAS A LONG DISCUSSION REGARDING HOW TO INTERACT WITH THE FRIENDS OF COA. THERE IS LESS THAN OPTIMAL AWARENESS OF HOW THEY OPERATE AND HELP WITH THE SENIOR CENTER.
7. THEY SPONSOR THE NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION AND THE ONLY WAY TO GET TICKETS IS BY GETTING THEM ON A DESIGNATED DAY AND TIME.

THERE ARE OUT OF TOWNERS ATTENDING WHICH EXCLUDES WEST BOYLSTON RESIDENTS. CHAIRMAN FEMIA WILL CONTACT FRIENDS PRESIDENT NANCY BARAKIAN TO INVITE HER & BOARD MEMBERS TO THE NEXT COA MEETING.

8. EIGHTY PEOPLE (80) HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA MEETING.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JANUARY 22, 2024 AT 2:00.

UPON MOTION OF BARBARA MARD WITH A SECOND BY JANIE ASH THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:55 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,,

THOMAS .F. MULLINS

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