

Barnstable Council on Aging

825 Falmouth Rd
Hyannis, MA 02601

**Monthly Meeting –April 21, 2021
@ 9:00 AM**

Present: John Jope, Janice Lariviere, Barbara Cross, Ella Rollins, Anna Valsakis, Pricilla Laliberty, Lori Case

Also present: Donna Burns, BCOA director, Tracy Shaughnessy, Town Council, Kathy Strudwick, FBCOA

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM and a quorum was met. Minutes from the March meeting have been approved as written.

Chairman:

- Welcome new members, Lori and Priscilla
- Copies of updated bylaws have been mailed.
- An updated list of our council members has been done
- With an increased number of our population being vaccinated, we hope to meet in-person, following all safety protocol as soon as possible – Donna Burns to follow up.
- Election of Officers will be scheduled for June. Nominations in May.

Director's Report:

- One of the biggest issues the Center is dealing with is being very involved in assisting older adults with vaccine appointments.
- All COAs on Cape Cod are assisting in similar efforts in their towns.
- Managing thousands of calls and referrals during pandemic. Providing support and services to those in need is in important focus. Outer Cape/ Harbor Health will be using the Center as a vaccine clinic and we are vaccinating 150-250 people a day.
- Activities – Meals on Wheels still going strong and continuing to distribute monthly Brown Bag.
- Looking to roll out small groups to reintroduce the public to the building per guidelines.
- Survey being sent out to address need.
- Waiting to hear on formula grant for FY22
- A strategic partner recognition award was given to BCOA by the US Census Bureau.

FBCOA:

- Not much going on but trying to keep things going on

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM

Next meeting May 19, 2021