**COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD**  
Minutes March 12 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Members Present: Chair Nancy Butler, Dottie Martel, Inez Murphy Absent: Geri Cellini, Cindy Bloomquist Friends of COA Present: None   
Guests: Brenda Traynor, John Traynor and Linda Norrie.  
Staff Present: Jean Pacheco, Colleen Thompson.   
  
1. **Opening**: Chair Nancy Butler opened the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

2. **Minutes**: January minutes were approved as written.

3. **Reports**:   
A. Business Report – Jean Pacheco  
 1) Warrants for January: $318.31 February $1493.75  
 2) Pantry served January 26 people, 16 households,   
 February 28 people 16 households.

B. Friend’s Report (by CT) Bank Balance: February $6,053.80,   
 March $6,034.05

C. OCES Report – Dottie Martel reported that OCES will be changing their name. New name is not known yet.

D. Director’s Report - Colleen

1. Per Massachusetts law, COA Board must be certified in Open meeting, Conflict of Interest, and Sexual Harassment. We will try to get a group class arranged.
2. The Board of Health denied the use of the COA office (or any office in the Town House) for Podiatrist services.
3. Slingo – a cross between Name that Tune and Bingo was discussed as a possible activity for next year. The Board likes the idea.
4. The food for the April 3rd luncheon will likely be a boxed lunch through OCES.
5. Gatra issues with retreat lots was discussed.
6. Reviews for February 7 Soup lunch were positive results. People enjoyed the food and the silent movie. There are still some issues with people leaving early and the entertainment being a little too long.

E. Board of Selectmen/Town Update by John Traynor - See attached.

4. **Other Business:**

1. Chair Hip Hop May 20th
2. Other possible activities: OCES presentation, Oasis Senior Advisors presentation with lunch, Gatra information session.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.

Minutes were prepared by Jean Pacheco

**John Traynor - Notes for Council on Aging Meeting**

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Budget Season – Prepping for Town Meeting. Financial Advisors Committee: Liz Dennehy (Town Administrator), Marilyn Browne and Kathryn Shepherd (FinCom), Christine Kelly (Treasurer-Collector), Lisa Hart (Town Accountant)

Taxes – How calculated. There was an article in the P-H Express about this.

Podiatrist – BOH nixed town house use.

Saturday at the Library – Next speaker will be Anne Gobi, Director of Rural Affairs in the MA Executive Office of Economic Development.

Town Properties Committee: Nancy Butler, Ross MacPherson, Colleen Thompson, John Traynor, Mark Wallis, Jon Wilhelmsen (Chair).

Town Complex Study

* Fire Station Feasibility
* Water supply – 3 wells to be drilled, waiting on DEP
* Soil testing and site analysis
* Septic design and placement

Recreation Committee and PAYS sports field work initiated

* Harry Jason Jr. Park – signage, opening and closing of park
* Town Campus Fields – lighting layout and walking path
* Dennett School Fields – no dogs allowed

Plympton Historical Society – New board. Membership remains at $15/year

Engine Braking Signs (engine compression)

GATRA transportation services – Need house to house pickup/drop off

Tom Bowes office torn down

MBTA Community Zoning requirements – Milton

Old Town House use – Rules & regulations

Winnetuxet Bridge Construction

SLT Construction Corp – Spring St. parcel approximately 23.4 acres in size

Carver Route 44 / 58 development - North Carver Project – No activity

North Plympton Cemetery – Lydia Groseclose