

## **Williamsburg Senior Center Advisory Board**

**Minutes of the Meeting:** September 16, 2020. The meeting was held on Zoom.

**Present:** Jacqueline Dufresne, Daria D'Arienzo, Maureen O'Brien. Staff: Tryna Hope, Sherry Loomis; Senior Center Director Melissa Wilson. Quorum was met.

**The meeting was called to order at 12:20 p.m.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of the Meeting of August 19, 2020 were accepted as amended.

### **Director's Report:**

- Seven groups are continuing to meet.
- Brown bag lunches, Highland Valley Meals, Take and Eat on weekends. Farmshare Program continues. A survey of participants was suggested because of reports of complaints regarding both quality and quantity of offerings. Looking into the CDC mobile market for next year was also suggested. Melinda, a Farm Liaison, will discuss concerns with the current providers.
- The Senior Center is offering a flu clinic on October 9, 2020. Currently, it's sold out, but Melissa is contacting CVS to see if more vaccine is available. Seniors should bring Medicare cards and workers should bring an insurance card.
- The Highland Valley grant may arrive at the end of October.
- PVTa grant is not currently being used for medical rides because of COVID safety concerns, but the PVTa van is available.
- Melinda McCall will resign at the end of September, and the Senior Center is looking to hire a replacement.

### **Staff Input:**

- Sherry continues to update mailing list. October newsletter is underway.
- **Caregivers' group, meeting at 11:00 a.m.** on the first and third Thursdays via Zoom has restarted. Five people are currently involved.
- Tryna has gotten requests for names for snow removal and leaf raking. In the past, the Senior Center has not recommended providers, but sent people to the Hilltown Business Directory. Other suggestions were to contact Smith Vocational High School, the Boy Scouts, or to post on All Things or Kind Things Williamsburg.

### **Old Business:**

**Letter Writing Project:** Dean Acheson has agreed to take the list of seniors and continue the practice.

**Curbside Visits:** Staff has been contacting seniors aged eighty or older, and ten people have requested visits. Six people have volunteered as visitors, but four more are needed. Jacqueline will send out an email requesting volunteers, who will need to have a CORI check.

**New Business:**

- **Motions Passed:**
  - ☐ **Thanks to Margaret Ricci** for her five years of service on the Council on Aging Board.
  - ☐ **Thanks to Melinda McCall** for her service and good food to the Senior Center.
  - ☐ To postpone C.O.A. Board elections until October because of absent members in September.
- Maureen brought up a detailed article about the Senior Center and the Council on Aging from the *Country Journal*. Daria offered to scan it so that it can be attached to the final draft of the September minutes as a PDF.
- The Board is looking to add a new member. Names should be forwarded to Melissa or Jacqueline for outreach. Sherry agreed to make initial outreach. If there is interest, she will ask the Chair to make contact.

**Next C.O.A. Board meeting** will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 via Zoom at 12:15p.m.

**Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.**