

EDGARTOWN COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD MEETING
February 21, 2013
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 8:40am by Chairperson Olga Church. Present were Board members Chris White, Glenn Carpenter, Kevin Ryan and Administrator Paul Mohair. Nancy Shemeth arrived shortly after the meeting began.

Minutes Upon motion by Glenn, seconded by Chris, the minutes of the January 31, 2013, meeting were unanimously approved as proposed.

Board Members Paul advised he had been contacted by the Selectmen's office and told that Glenn had been officially appointed to our Board and that he would be receiving a letter from them soon.

Budget Paul distributed copies of the year-to-date budget report. All expenses and balances appeared reasonable; there was general discussion.

Program and Volunteer Report Laurie entered the room to give her report and talked about a few specific cases. Both Victoria and Laurie had met with a family that is concerned about the family's mother. She also worked with elders during the last snow storm, checking in by telephone. Laurie talked about upcoming programs, trips, getting new people into the Anchors and organizing walks around Edgartown. Laurie described for Kevin the way in which local artists are chosen to exhibit their art at the Anchors which is to add names to a waiting list and take the artists in the order on the list. After some general discussion, Laurie left the room.

Outreach Report Victoria then joined the meeting. Victoria said she was helping many elders with fuel assistance; Glenn suggested contacting Joe Kennedy's Citizen Energy organization for fuel assistance. Nancy mentioned contacting the town's Firemen's Association. There was discussion about other fuel assistance resources, including our Friends. Victoria reported on the restaurant meals program recently initiated, and that, to date, two meals donated by local restaurants had been delivered. So far, seven Edgartown restaurants have agreed to participate. Victoria said the ECOA web site she has been working on is almost finished and should be on line soon. Victoria then left the meeting.

Friends of ECOA Report No one from the Friends was present; there was no report.

Administrator's Report Paul said he had edited and revised the Anchors Volunteer Orientation Manual, a copy of which he gave Olga for her review. He said it was almost completed except for a few final edits. Answering Chris and Glenn's questions, Paul advised all volunteers get CORI checked; and that he does it over the internet with almost immediate results.

Olga thanked the Board members and especially Chris for helping with Paul's annual evaluation; and that it had been completed and submitted to the town Human Resources last week. Paul thanked the Board for the positive evaluation and for complimenting him regularly on his performance.

Paul talked about the repairs and painting of the interior and exterior of the Anchors. He said with the possible sale of the Kelly House, parking this summer could be more of a problem than ever.

Paul said the staff seems happy and is performing well. He is doing performance evaluations of Donna and Laurie this month.

MVC4L Report No one was present from the Center for Living. There was extended discussion on the Supportive Day Program and use of the Anchors. There was no new information regarding the Center's progress in finding a new facility. At Olga's suggestion, Paul said he would attempt to have Karen Achille attend next month's meeting for an update and report in this regard.

There being no further business, upon motion by Chris, seconded by Nancy, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:55am.