

Minutes

Easton Senior Center Advisory Board Special Meeting

August 10, 2021 – 3:30 p.m. Easton Senior Center

Present: Mary Ann Freeman; Althea J. Falco; Wendy Bowditch; Prabha Gupta; Patricia Camuto; both Ann Fiyalka and Eunice Hanson via telephone; Val Buckley; Randy Shapiro; Christine Calvert; Joan Kirk.

Excused absence: Sally England; Beth Ross.

1. Mary Ann Freeman called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. All attending members wore masks and were socially distance seated.
2. Wendy Bowditch moved, Anne Fiyalka seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021 Advisory Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The scheduled meeting of the Advisory Board for July 13, 2021 was postponed to August 8, 2021 due to lack of quorum.
3. Val Buckley addressed the following items in her Executive Director's Report. Rules concerning COVID protocols will continue. Masks will still be required to come into the Center and worn for all events and proof of vaccination or negative COVID test, 72 hours before entry. The Center remains open for classes, events, movies and card playing daily. Floors have been cleaned and waxed ready for Fall events. Meetings with the van drivers and volunteer staff is under way, going over Town policies and procedures. A meal train was established during Val and Derek's recuperation time. Funds remain and will roll over to a "Friendship Fund", benefitting seniors who require help and/or meals during an illness. Easton Inc. will administer the funds as well as selling the raffle tickets during the Boutique Sale. Painting of the curb in front of the Center, parallel to the sidewalk going south, was discussed. Wendy Bowditch has been in touch with Keri English and the painting and stenciling will be done by the art students. Wendy will update the board with a timeline.
4. June 30, 2019 marked the end of the tag sales and Althea J. Falco advised total sales netted the Center with approximately \$4,891.00. A few items were advertised on Marketplace with positive results. Large, donated items will be requested in future newsletters and placed on Marketplace for sale. A silent auction/estate articles sale will begin September 7, 2021 and continue through October 8, 2021. The holiday boutique will begin the end of October/beginning of November through the end of December.
5. The Board discussed Easton's Policies and Procedures as they pertained to the Easton Senior Center and employees of the Center. A review with employees and volunteers is being done. A policy of the Easton Senior Center providing address labels was discussed. After discussion, it was agreed that the policy is no longer accurate. Wendy Bowditch moved, Althea J. Falco seconded a motion to authorize Mary Ann Freeman to contact the Board of Selectmen and suggest the policy be either rewritten or discarded. More volunteers are needed to fill in during the absence of scheduled morning and afternoon volunteers. Mary Ann Freeman will coordinate the schedules and fill-ins.
6. Wendy Bowditch moved to adjourn the meeting. Anne Fiyalka seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

The next meeting of the Senior Center Advisory Board is scheduled for September 14, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Easton Senior Center

SUBMITTED BY ALTHEA J. FALCO, SECRETARY