

# **Talbot County Commission on the Aging**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Location: Brookletts Place Talbot Senior Center  
400 Brookletts Ave. Easton, MD 21601

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Jenna Marchi, Ellen Taggert, Marion Donahue, Childlene Brooks, Rachel Smith, Megan Murray, Lee Newcomb, Kate Stinson, Veda Gibson, Jennifer Pierson, Ejiah Taylor, Lynn Mielke, Amy Keller, Anne Shanahan, Megan Pinder, Grace Lyons

Absent: Andy Hollis, Terry Satchell, Carrie Ottey

- I. Call to order 8:30
- II. Treasurers Report-Marion  
  
Balance:  
  
Previous balance as of 8/30/2023: \$1,088.40. No deposits. Disbursements: \$110 to Ellen Taggert for reimbursement for Bay Imprint for final payment for table cover. Balance as of 9/29/2023 - \$978.40
- III. Business
  - a. Approve Minutes- approved minutes after revisions
- IV. Community Concerns
  - a. Parkview letter- revisions to letter to request a response from corporate by a specific date.
- V. Committees
  - a. Senior Resource Fair
    - i. Save the date letters to be sent to vendors in November. Food trucks will be present. Advertisement in local radio and Talbot Spy and other free advertisement. Recommendation to provide information to Talbot County Tourism. Recommendation to create an event on Facebook to advertise. Jen Pierson to head Senior Resource Fair Committee.
  - b. Community Outreach
    - i. Senior Supply Drive- largest need is bed pads and medium size pull-up depends.
  - c. Website/Social Media

- i. Approximately 300 visitors to the TCCOA website per month since May 2023. Request for new bios from the new members to be put on the website.

d. Marketing

- i. Talbot Spy Senior Interviews- Gemya Green from RSVP Program is the next person interviewed in Oct 30 2023.

VI. Current member information updates-All

Jenna Marchi: Be a Santa to a Senior through Home Instead event is coming up.

Kate Stinson: reporting on behalf of Andy Hollis- Carrie Ottey presented a report to the Talbot County Council on the Senior Care program on Oct 10, 2023.

Lee Newcomb: Community Partner Meeting Nov 21<sup>st</sup> at Brookletts Place.

Marion Donahue: Final class for nutrition is coming up. Class will be offered again.

Amy Keller: provided information about upcoming cuts to home health that are proposed by federal government.

Childlene Brooks: open enrollment for insurance begins on Monday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>. Brookletts Place is offering assistance for seniors to navigate open enrollment. Talbot County Community Resource Expo will be on Saturday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 10-1pm at Easton Elementary School.

Megan Murray: Molly Kirch executive director for Talbot Hospice. Annual Festival of Tree Hospice fundraisers will be over Thanksgiving weekend

Rachel- Casino night rescheduled to Thursday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> @4pm.

Ejiyah Taylor: Pop-Up Boutique will be on Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 9-1pm. Accepting donation for clothing, household items, holiday items.

VII. Report from Area Agency on Aging

VIII. Adjournment

Next meeting will be November 8, 2023 at 8:30 am.

**VISION:**

ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL SENIORS IN TALBOT COUNTY

**MISSION:**

THE COMMISSION ON AGING WILL ADVISE THE TALBOT COUNTY COUNCIL  
ON ISSUES AFFECTING SENIORS AND ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE