

BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD MEETING MARCH 6, 2017

Meeting called to order by Chair Teddi Bourassa at 10 a.m.

In Dick Drobiak's absence Lorraine Lalli filled in as secretary/recorder.

Excused were Carole Harris, Dick Drobiak, and Sue Alves.

Janice read the Howard Fund report. She reported a starting balance of \$48,702.66 and an ending balance of \$48,932.36 as of January 31, 2017. These figures do not include CD's. Report was filed as read.

Janice read her Director's report.

Reports of upcoming activities were given by Michele and Carla.

Dotti Slack announced that Nurses' Day this year will be recognized at the Mad Hatters' luncheon. She also stated that the food supplement group serviced 61 people last month. Recipients for this will need to re-apply in April.

She stressed the importance of taking advantage of open enrollment and cited cases where doing so made a huge difference to people.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Next meeting will be April 3, 2017

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- March 6, 2017

The countdown has begun....only 14 more days until Spring!

- I don't have much to report this month which is probably a good thing.
- I am meeting with Brian this week to give him my Spring cleaning list.
- I submitted our FY2018 city Budget last week. We were asked again to give 2 budgets. One which is level funded and the other with a 10% reduction and how that would impact our COA. A 10% reduction would just about eliminate our Energy line item or could result in a cut in our work force. In my letter that was submitted with the budget I stressed that this cut would be devastating and also reminded them that we are the lowest funded department but yet continue to provide services and meet the unmet needs of our seniors with the resources we have.
- I will work on ways we can control costs in the event our budget is cut.

In closing, Happy Spring!

Respectfully submitted,

Janice B. Fitzgerald
Director

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 8th Taxes by appointment only 9:00AM-3:30PM (Full)
Wednesday, March 8th National Diabetes Prevention Program 10:30AM
Wednesday, March 8th "Life's Little Lessons" The Meaning of Flowers 1:00PM
Thursday, March 9th Diabetes Self Management Workshop at 1:00PM
Monday, March 13th S.A.L.T./Triad Meeting 9:30AM
Monday, March 13th COA Book Club with Lucia Shannon 10:00AM
Monday, March 13th "Let's Get Your Garden Springing" w/West Acres 1:00PM
Tuesday, March 14th Free Hearing Screenings by Beltone by appointment at 10:00AM
Tuesday, March 14th Congregate Meal St. Patrick's Day Special 12:00PM
Wednesday, March 15th National Diabetes Prevention Program 10:30AM
Wednesday, March 15th MADD Hatters, "Books, Brockton & Beaugard" 12:30PM
Thursday, March 16th St. Patrick's Day Party 12:00-2:00PM All other activities are cancelled
Monday, March 20th The Magic of Spring, Sponsored by Braemoor Health Center 1:00PM
Wednesday, March 22nd Taxes by Appointment Only 9:00AM-3:30PM (Full)
Wednesday, March 22nd Commodity Supplemental Food Program 1:00-3:30PM
Thursday, March 23rd Diabetes Self Management Workshop at 1:00PM
Monday, March 27th Free Legal Consults with attorney Michelle Beneski 9:30-11:00 AM
Monday, March 27th Men's Group, "Chicken Soup for the Single" with
Chef Anthony Scafuto of Braemoor Health Center 9:30AM
Monday, March 27th S.T.O.P./Ask Dottie: Aneurysms at 1:00PM
Thursday, March 30th Lunch & Learn" Congregate Meal
w/Barbara Nalen-Cardosa Potassium Rich Foods 12:00PM

Trips

Wednesday, March 8th Foxwoods Casino
Thursday, March 23rd Boston Flower Show & Venezia Luncheon
Thursday, April 6th Newport Playhouse, "The Foresome"
Thursday, April 20th Twin Rivers Casino
Sunday, April 30th The Edward Twins & Lunch at 300 North, "Top of the Hill"

Upcoming Events

Please note these events are not available for sign-up yet they are for your information only.

Life Little Lessons #4 4/4/17
Spring Fling 4/5/17
Flower Pot Craft with West Acres 4/10/17
Yoga begins again 4/11/17
Paint Night 4/12/17
Nurses Day with The MADD Hatters 4/19/17