

BERKLEY COUNCIL ON AGING
MINUTES OF MEETING
05/21/26

Board Present: Margaret Moroff, Cathy Charette, Carol Buote, Arlene Medeiros, & Kathy Strozyk

Call to Order – Margaret Moroff called the meeting to order in the hearing room. She reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded.

Acceptance of Prior Minutes – The board voted to accept the minutes of 04/16/26.

FY 2026 Budget - Krista Celia presented the financial report for April 30, 2026

1. Town Budget Balance: Salary: \$6,675.90 Town Funded Accounts: \$1,595.76
2. Formula Grant: \$25,671.35
3. Program Donations: \$14,715.36
4. General Donations: \$5,770.91

The board voted to purchase a laptop for Outreach from the general donation account.

Events – The board discussed the following upcoming events.

- a. Mobile Market – 05/27/26 – Current participation is at 47 households.
- b. Men's Group – 05/27/26 – Small but steady group of participants.
- c. Support Groups - 05/21/26, 06/11/26, & 06/25/26 – Lorraine Moniz updated the board. The grief support group will start in June and the caregiver support group is off to a strong start with 8 participants.
- d. Paper Crafting Folio with Lestyn – 05/27/26 – Will be held on a Tuesday which will be a new date and time for the program.
- e. Watercolor Painting – 06/11/26 – The painting will be a hydrangea.
- f. Singo – 05/20/26 – Singo is a well-attended program for the COA.
- g. Narcan – 06/22/26 – The public nurse will also join the Narcan workshop put on by the POP unit. Any age can attend.
- h. Paint with Amy – 06/16/26 – The project will be a Seashell Painting with two project options. Participants can either paint seashells on the canvas or glue real shells to the canvas.
- i. Music of 1940 with Fran Hart – 07/20/26 – This program is paid for by a grant from the Cultural Council and the Friends of the Council on Aging voted to pay for the catering. The board discussed bringing Mr. Hart back to repeat one of his prior programs next year.
- j. Hip Hop Square Dancing – 07/20/26 – This program is funded by a grant from the Cultural Council.
- k. Jeopardy – 09/02/26 – Jeopardy is coming to the COA. There is no limit on participation. There will be 8 teams. Jeopardy is replacing a scheduled BINGO.

Friends of the COA Report – The Friends of the COA are offering their monthly \$5.00 lunches. They have trips coming up for the tall ships, turkey train, and a trip to Pennsylvania. There will be a cookout on the common for July 4th.

Public Input – Nan Thompson suggested offering the air conditioner drive again.

Next Meeting – 06/25/26 at 9:15

Motion to Adjourn. The board voted to adjourn the meeting.