

**Lunenburg Council on Aging
Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2024**

Minutes Approved at the 4/9/2024 COA Meeting

CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Deb Lincoln called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

PRESENT Deb Lincoln (Chairperson), Susan Doherty (Director), Pete Lincoln, Betty DiGiacomo, Jim McGuigan, Cathy Beale, Jane Rabbitt, Susan O'Sullivan, Judy Tarbell, Helen Balcom & Michele Beauvais

EXCUSED Diane Nowd

GUESTS Jack Rabbitt from Lunenburg Assessors & Ryan Murphy from Suzor IT

ANNOUNCEMENTS Ms. Lincoln announced that Mr. Franco would not be running for a second term.

PUBLIC COMMENT Mr. Rabbitt presented & reviewed the 41C –Modification with the board.

MINUTES APPROVAL Ms. Beale motioned to approve the February 13, 2024 minutes. Mr. McGuigan seconded the motion. All approved and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **Discussion Lunenburg Master Plan:** Ms. Lincoln encourages everyone to take the new Master Plan Survey. They will be available at the Town Hall and Council on Aging.
2. **Discussion Lunenburg Senior Tax Relief:** None
3. **Council on Aging Board Members Town Email** Ryan Murphy from IT was available to assist members with email problems.
4. **Lunenburg 300th Celebration:** Mr. Lincoln would like to celebrate Luther Burbank's accomplishments. He suggested placing a large boulder with a commemorative plaque in the pavilion area. This was the location of Mr. Burbank's potato garden.
5. **Recreation Area Update** None
6. **Council on Aging Board Member Opening:** Position still available.
7. **Council on Aging Logo Choices:** Ms. Lincoln presented several choices for the COA Logo. One option was an Eagle & the other was the state bird which is the Chickadee. Color options were discussed.
8. **Mass General Law regarding Councils on Aging:** After due diligent discussion amongst the Board members, Ms. Lincoln commented that unless a change is made at Town Meeting, no changes can be made to this law. However, the COA policies & procedures are acceptable.
9. **FY25 COA Budget:** Ms. Doherty & Ms. Lincoln went to the Fin/Com budget meeting for the COA. They had push back on the Meal Site managers request for extended hours & were not pleased with the lack of regard that some Fin/Com members showed for this request.

UPCOMING EVENTS Ms. Doherty reviewed the upcoming events for April and the remainder of March.

EAGLE HOUSE SUPPORTERS REPORT Newsletters subscriptions will now cost \$8.00 due to the increase in postage. Lori Holden was voted in as an honorary member of the Supporters.

NOTICES & COMMUNICATIONS

BOARD COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT Ms. Lincoln motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. DiGiacomo seconded the motion. All approved and the motion was carried. The meeting concluded at 10:41 am.

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE Tuesday April 9, 2024 ~ 9:30 AM.

*** MEETING CANCELLATION POLICY:**

If the COA Board is unable to meet on the regularly scheduled 2nd Tuesday of the month, the meeting will be rescheduled to the following Tuesday.