

**2019 Talbot County Commission on the Aging Minutes**

**Date: October 9, 2019**

**Time: 8:30-9:40 am**

**Location: Brooklets Senior Center, Easton MD**

**Presiding:** Jenn Marchi

**Present:** Amie Denayer, Gary Gunther, Frank DiVilio, Lee Newcomb, Vivian Dodge, Jennifer Pierce, Irma Toce, Cindy Bach, Wynn Aroom, Ellen Teggert, Childlene Brooks, Laruen Harding

**Absent:** Marion Donahue

**Guests:**

**Recording:** Vivian Dodge

**Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 8:30 am.**

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>	Meeting called to order		
<b>Review of minutes from September 2019</b>	Minutes approved.	Motion to approve	Jenn Marchi
<b>Treasurer's report</b>	Balance as of August 2019: \$1676.44 Deposits: \$2400.00 – Talbot County Council Expenses: \$36.95 Balance: \$4039.39	Informational	Julie Crocker
<b>New TCCOA Member Updates</b>	Brief discussion and review of current TCCOA members. Bylaws require: Minimum of 10; Maximum 20 voting members Ex-officio members limited to 3 Can add individuals for any open vacancies If commission wishes to open more seats, paperwork filed with County office	Informational	All members
<b>State-wide Commission on Aging Meeting - Update</b>	Statewide meeting held Sept. 19, 2019. Theme: "Age Friendly Communities"		Lee Newcomb, Lauren Harding

	<p>Communities desire walkable towns, convenience of stores/shopping, fitness facilities, job creation By January 2030, the Boomer, GenX and Millennial generations will be over 50 years old</p> <p>Presented 8 Domains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outdoor spaces/buildings (i.e., centers, trails, parks)</li> <li>• Transportation</li> <li>• Housing (lifelong housing, accessory dwellings)</li> <li>• Social participation/inclusion</li> <li>• Respect</li> <li>• Civic participation &amp; employment</li> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Community Support/Health services</li> </ul> <p>Hyattsville &amp; Montgomery counties gave presentations.</p> <p>Discussion ensued how these mirror issues in Talbot County. These may be possible topics at the forthcoming Legislative Forum.</p> <p>Lee provided an update on Discover Easton initiative “how to make Easton more Age/disability friendly.</p>	<p>TCCOA discussed reaching out to diverse senior groups (LGBT, other cultures). Marketing Committee and TCCOA to consider a workgroup in future.</p> <p>TCCOA willing to participate in this discussion with Discover Easton.</p>	
<p><b>Committee Updates</b></p>	<p><u>Website/Social Media:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reported website is active</li> <li>• Had 87 reviews of website</li> </ul> <p><u>Community Outreach:</u> Discussion related to volunteer opportunities for TCCOA in the community. Lauren inquired if any interest to have TCCOA volunteers at any of the Festival of Trees activities coming in November 2019.</p> <p><u>Legislative Committee:</u> Legislative Forum with Senator Eckardt, Delegate Mautz and Delegate Adams is</p>	<p>Post update of recent state-wide meeting to website and Facebook</p> <p>Vivian will connect with Festival of Trees Committee Chairs and request to email Lauren</p>	<p>A. Denayer</p> <p>All members</p>

	<p>Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 4pm-6pm. Corey Pack will be the moderator.</p> <p>Flyers have been distributed Ad placed in Talbot Times Press Release submitted to Star Democrat</p> <p>Survey response has been low to date. Primary concerns include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monetary issues</li> <li>• Affordable housing</li> <li>• Transportation</li> <li>• Affordable health services</li> <li>• Housing for disadvantaged persons</li> </ul>	<p>Jenn Marchi &amp; Lee Newcomb provided update</p> <p>Promote event on social media if allowed</p> <p>Workgroup members plan to meet on Oct 15, 2019 at 2pm at Talbot Hospice to review survey responses– all are welcome.</p> <p>Lee will bring flyers and announce event at forthcoming TACL meeting on 10/22/19.</p>	<p>Legislative workgroup members</p>
<b>Supply Drive</b>	No updates at this time		Jenn Marchi
<b>Maryland Community for Life</b>	Membership is growing and a new sliding scale fee schedule established		Lee Newcomb
<b>Members Update</b>	<p><b><u>Area Agency on Aging:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medicare Part D open enrollment is Oct 15 – Dec 7, 2019 Agency offering assistance to individuals to review plans</li> <li>• Upper Shore Housing: Renovation plans underway for Hambleton Village, St. Michaels. Individuals can apply for grant funding.</li> <li>• Senior Call Check Program: Recruitment remains underway. Individuals can request and schedule specific times for calls.</li> </ul>	<p>Informational</p>	Gary Gunther



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. Stevens AME hosting a Pastor Appreciation event, Sat. Oct 12, 2019</li> <li>• Talbot County NAACP hosting a Freedom Fundraiser</li> <li>• Lakeside area development in Trappe will be a mixed use area with 2500 homes</li> <li>• Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast, Oct 25, 2019</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Arcadia ALF:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupying home on Dutchman’s Lane. Will be memory care focused facility with 16 units. Renovating existing building with plans to build out to the final 16 beds.</li> <li>• Planning a second location in Denton - TBD</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Brooklets Senior Center:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. Michaels Center is growing and well used</li> <li>• “Show Stoppers”, Friday, Oct 11, 2019 – music and entertainment</li> <li>• Travelogue series schedule posted for 2020</li> <li>• Talbot County Dementia Conference is November 5, 2019 at Bayleigh Chase</li> <li>• Senior Center participating in the 2020 Census Count. Seeking individuals to help with census count</li> <li>• “Stop Bleed” Program: Program initiated to educate persons for shootings, November 15, 2019</li> </ul>	Informational	Amie Denayer
		Informational	Childlene Brooks
<b>Other</b>	No other business		
<b>Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at 9:40am		

**Next meeting: November 13, 2019 at 8:30am**