

**Barnstable Council on Aging**

825 Falmouth Rd  
Hyannis, MA 02601

**Monthly Meeting –March 17, 2021  
@ 9:00 AM**

Present: John Jope, Janice Lariviere, Josephine Melpignano, Barbara Cross, Ella Rollins, Priscilla Laliberty.

Also present: Donna Burns, BCOA Director, Tracy Shaughnessy, Town Council.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM and a quorum was met. Minutes from the February meeting have been approved as written.

Chairman:

- By-Laws updates have been approved by nominating committee and are moving forward to Town Council for consideration and approval.
- Election of Officers will be scheduled for June.

Director's Report:

- Staff is extremely busy even though the building is closed to the public.
- Over 250 people registered for tax appointments with AARP at the Osterville Library.
- Robo-call went out directing residents to call 508-862-4024 or email [TownCOACovid@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:TownCOACovid@town.barnstable.ma.us) for help getting a vaccine appointment.
- Homebound names are being gathered as well, being able to help has been gratifying.
- Parking lot concert going on today. Irish music, cupcakes, and beverages being served.
- If COVID metrics start trending to a transition to a more positive direction, we may be able to commence scheduling activities outside, and on a very small, safe and controlled scale inside the building. There is no set time frame at the moment, as Barnstable is still in the Red Zone.
- Grab 'N Go still going on, and will transition to once a week. As more people are vaccinated, they are more comfortable going into stores. The BCOA staff will still maintain our Food Pantry and our monthly Brown Bag food distribution.

FBCOA:

- No update at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM

Next meeting April 21, 2021