

Town of Marlborough



Commission on Aging
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 3:45 PM
Marlborough Town Hall

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Donna Mosher called the meeting to order at 3:50PM

Attending the meeting and seated were Donna Mosher, Rita McGary, and Dianne Greco.

2. Approval of minutes

Rita McGary moved to approve April 15, 2025, minutes. Dianne Greco seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Senior Center Director's Report Shoshana Merced

- Reported on the upcoming Elizabeth Park trip, announcement ready and will be in the River East and posted on Facebook.
- For April, 56 members scanned in for a total of 270 touches (entries)
- An application to Marlborough Greater Together was submitted and the Senior Center was awarded money that will be used to purchase 75 new chairs.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Elizabeth Park (with a tour)
 - Comedy Show
 - Italy Day at Aqua Turf-July 8
- License from Chatham Health for the senior center's kitchen. Still needs qualified servers before a "food" program can begin.
- Results from the two transportations surveys - one for current users of the service and the second for town residents. In summary those who

responded are happy with the service but would like to see it expanded to 5 days a week and to more locations.

- Planning to create a Program Interest survey later this year. The survey could be done in the River East or hard copies. It was also discussed that a booth at Marlborough Day would be a good place to capture input.
- Shoshana also noted that she is working on a Mission and Vision statement for the Senior Center, so everyone knows what the objective is.

4. Coffee and Conversations – Review last event and choose topics for June and July

- April 17th event “Let’s Talk Gardening” was very well attended and successful. The attendees liked the segment.
- May 15th event “Day Trips/Exploring CT” was very well attended and successful. The group discussed the subject and would like to do more in the future on this topic by bringing in a Travel Agent and folks with vast travel experience to add to the conversation.
- Planning a June event – Donna Mosher to contact Claire Cote and check availability for June.
- Planning a July event – Dianne Greco to check on getting a Travel Agent and folks to share their experiences.

5. Discuss Trip to Elizabeth Park June 12

- Announcement ready and will be in the River East and posted on Facebook
- Includes a tour
- Date set and not to be changed
- Transportation options to be available

6. New Business”

- Dianne Grece spoke about the need to add an exercise pad in Blish Park. This would be a place with outdoors equipment in a 40’ x 40’ area that is fit for all ages. Dianne will continue to gather information, and the planning required to have a fund raiser to purchase the equipment.

7. Public Comment

Barbara Ferrara addressed the commission about having pickle ball courts set up at the Community Center and in the MES gym. The topic was discussed in length, many options, and opportunities to explore. The

commission suggested Barbara talk with Dave Porter and the Senior Center about applying for grant money for supplies and scheduling etc.

8. Adjournment

Dianne Greco made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:50PM. Rita McGary seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Carter - Board Clerk