

**Board of Directors Meeting
July 13, 2022
Acushnet Council on Aging
59 ½ South Main Street
Acushnet, MA 02743
Phone: (508) 998-0280**

Present: Linda Guilbeault, chairperson, Gerry Bergeron, Paulette Hudson, Deborah Raposa, Pauline Teixeira, and Heather Chew, Director.

A motion was made to open the meeting by Paulette Hudson and seconded by Pauline Teixeira.

The meeting began at 10:05 a.m.

Old Business:

1. The Pet Food Drive was a huge success in conjunction with Animal Control..
2. SRTA update. The ACOA applied for a 7 passenger van which would be able to carry 2 wheel chairs, 4 passengers and the driver. Twenty Percent (\$13,000.00) would be paid for by the town of Acushnet and the balance by a grant
3. On July 14th at 1: p.m. there will be an afternoon of music by the Meadow Larks , dancing. This is a free concert. Sponsored in part by funding from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.
4. The Elder Community Service Program is a Senior Tax Work-off Program. Eligible participants will receive \$1500.00 per calendar year that can be used for their real estate taxes. They must be 60 years or older and resident property owners in the town. There are income guidelines to be met. This is in return for voluntary service at a town department, board, agency or program. Call 508-998-0280 for more information.

New Business:

Monday evening book club will be held then the 4th Monday of every month at 6 :30 p.m. outside.

Afternoon Zumba will start on July 5th, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.
The fee is \$6.00 but will be reimbursed at the end of course.

Fall River Industrial Park is the new pickup location for the Boston Food Bank pickup

Mini resource fair is scheduled for Monday July 18th, 2022 from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. at the ACOA. They will be doing free senior IDS by the Sheriff's office, Moxie Mobility training, Vibra Hospital, SHINE, Southcoast Health System, The Cottages and much more. There will be music entertainment all afternoon.

Lake Street Project: The Board of Selectmen are in active conversations with the City of New Bedford in an effort to get permission to go forward with a plan to improve Lake Street and remediate the weed situation.

The next meeting will be August 10th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

As there is no further business a motion was made by Gerry Bergeron to adjourn and this was seconded by Paulette Hudson.

Respectively submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paulette Hudson".

Paulette Hudson