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Hatfield Council on Aging Minutes

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Present: Chairman Shawn Robinson, Director Gerilyn Rodgers, Amanda Zygmunt, Susan Hurley, Cindy Doty

1. The meeting was called to order at 1507 hours. The meeting minutes of October 22, 2020 were approved unanimously, a motion having been made by Susan Hurley and seconded by Amanda Zygmunt.
2. Hatfield Senior Center status, continues to operate under Covid 19 restrictions and are currently working on vaccine availability. Senior centers are currently expected to receive the vaccine in the first phase of distribution and will inoculate workers, drivers, etc. Programs will continue to operate outdoors as long as weather permits.
3. Following the resignation of COA Board member Jill Tucker due to personal reasons, the existing vacancy was discussed. A motion was made by Amanda Zygmunt and seconded by Susan Hurley to offer the Board position to resident Gail Kopinto and offer the position of Highland Valley Representative to Marian Abrahms. The fundraising position of a "Friends of the COA" may also be considered. Thank you Jill for all your contributions and work with the Hatfield COA.
4. Director Rodgers advises that she has received no word back regarding the COA budget as of this time. The proposed budget included a request to increase the Activity line amount requested from \$300 to \$2,000, to help cover costs. Director Rodgers also elaborated on the "My Senior Center" and discussed the need for a second assistant to serve as a "program person", as Assistant Amanda Zygmunt is limited to 18 hours. An available grant is expected to cover most of the cost. The Director has made a proposal for a scan card for participants to "check in" when attending programs and events. The annual cost is expected to be in the \$1200 to \$1400 range and would also assist with reporting data such as number of participants. Planning for spring and summer events continues. A "Friends of Seniors" newsletter is in the works and will introduce the idea of this volunteer group, along with a request for anyone wishing to volunteer to contact the COA office.
5. The COA Board Manual continues to be discussed and updated.
6. Meeting adjourned at 1617 hours, with a motion from Susan Hurley and a second by Shawn Robinson.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Doty