

TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF TOWN DEPARTMENT AND ALL TOWN BOARDS
As Required by Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2009, amending MGL Chapter 30A

COUNCIL ON AGING

The mission of the Barnstable Council on Aging is to advocate for and meet the needs of the elderly people residing in the Town of Barnstable. (Barnstable Town Administrative Code)

DATE OF MEETING: **Wednesday, August 16, 2023**

TIME: 9:00 AM PLACE: Barnstable Adult Community Center
825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA 02601

Present: John Jope, Ellen Queeney, Elaine Ryan, Kathy Standwick
Also Present/Guests, Visitors: Jan Kramer, Kelly Howley, Kathy Turnbull

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. and a quorum was met. Minutes from the July meeting were approved as written.

Chair's remarks: *John Jope*

- Guest speakers from other organizations will be featured at future meetings.
- Council members should complete the Conflict of Interest and Open Meeting training, and, upon completion, an email should be sent to Cynthia Lovell.
- Ellen Queeney will serve as the Barnstable Adult Community Center's Ombudsman.

Director's Report: *Kelly Howley*

- Interviews for two open positions are on-going.
- The Governor's Budget includes a \$14 per elder funding allotment; this is an increase from the prior year.
- A Steering Committee for the Age and Dementia Friendly Communities initiative will be appointed; transportation will be the first priority addressed.
- A digital literacy grant has been awarded that will fund laptops and instruction.
- Respite and Caregiver Services will be enhanced through shared grant funding.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.