

**TOWN OF SUDBURY  
COUNCIL ON AGING  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
April 1, 2014**

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**Present:** Chairman: Jack Ryan

Bob Diefenbacher, Debra Galloway, Robert May, Sam Merra, John Beeler, Patricia Tabloski, and Phyllis Bially

Absent: Carmine Gentile

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jack Ryan at 3:00 PM.

Minutes of March 4, 2014 were approved.

**Guest: Selectman Chuck Woodard**

The selectman discussed with us the process for the upcoming budget discussions and how those would dovetail into the Town Meeting.

**Director's Report**

\*Director reviewed :

1. Several of the upcoming April events.
2. Staffing is an immediate issue with a long term illness affecting one of the desk staff
3. Volunteer luncheon is April 30. All COA is invited.

**Chairperson's Report**

\* While no major changes in direction this month, The Fairbanks renewal project moves forward with the final recommendations regarding fixing the roof over the School HQ to be made at Town meeting.

\* The nominating committee needs to begin its work to present new candidates for COA. We must propose candidates for the May meeting. 3 openings are anticipated. The committee consists of Bob D., Patricia Tabloski, and Phyllis Bially.

\* COA discussed making our position on the "rail trail" public. COA affirmed that the Chairman could make a public statement in support of a Rail Trail which is in compliance with the State standards appropriate to a "black-topped" trail at the time.

\* COA confirmed its support of a Float for the COA in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

\* With the added staff planned for post May, 2014 and the growing activities COA asked the Director with the support of the Chairman to again approach the Park and Rec Director to Seek assistance in developing of a plan for better use of the "teen room".

**Baypath Update: John Beeler.**

Nothing new to report

**Treasurer's Report. Bob Diefenbacher,**

The SSAI report was shared with COA.

Transition of the reporting process to the outside accountant has been slower than planned.

**Strategic Planning Meeting in May.**

Final date and time to be set in May Meeting

**New Business**

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We continue to seek more ideas for honoring volunteers who aid our seniors on a regular basis.

**Next Meeting:**

**The next COA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May6, 2014 at 3:00pm in the Senior Center.**

A vote for Adjournment was unanimous at 5:05 pm.

Submitted by:

Bob May, Secretary

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Possible Agenda Items for future COA meetings**

UPDATED April 27, 2014

**Carry Overs**

First discussed =====	Topic =====
September, 2013	Updating of Newsletter process and Website. Boston Cane nominee
October 2, 2012	Town of Sudbury 375 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Active planning underway March , 2014 COA recommits to do a FLoad
January 7, 2014	COA must review the purpose and scope of the Annual Senior Luncheon.
March, 2014	Strategy with the MWRTA. What do we need from them?

**Senior Center Major Projects**

- \*Support staff planning. See Deb request above.
- \*Volunteers, Volunteers!
- \* Fairbanks Facility Planning

**COA Responsibilities**

- \* Long Range Funding plan—Barry and Bob May

- \* Other Affinity Assignments

<b><u>Area of Interest for COA</u></b>	<b><u>COA Member(s)</u></b>
Community Outreach (Use of TV)	John Beeler and Bob May
Senior Housing Advocacy	Carmine Gentile, and Barry David
Intergenerational work	Bob Diefenbacher
Community Center Planning	Jack Ryan and Barry David
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