

Town of Bolton C.O.A. Meeting

October 25, 2022

Meeting at the Senior Center

Members Present: Panny Gerken, Chair; Barbara Brown, Tom Byron, Shirley Sefton, Charles McCormack, Alice Roemer, Corinne Mackie, Janet Smith

COA Director Lisa D'Eon, Program Coordinator Heather Goodsell

Guests: Mary Cuimmo

The meeting opened about 10:03 AM.

The minutes from the September COA meeting were read and approved.

Lisa discussed the financials. Because of inflation, supplies are now so expensive that we will need to change the budget going forward. Overall, the budget is ok. Mary mentioned that if the COA gets in a jam, FOBS can help. Fuel assistance requests have already started. Chuck mentioned we should see greater detail in order to keep a handle on it. Mary noted that FOBS has funds to assist with fuel when the town fund runs out.

FOBS said Tuesdays Connection was quite successful. November is the Thanksgiving dinner at Davis hall. The annual mailing brochure is being developed. Looking for cooks and helpers for the meals in 2023.

Note: the Christmas COA lunch will be at Barber's Crossing December 6. Next it was discussed we should not do token gifts but rather pool our funds and select one or two children from Wheat's needs list. This was agreed to. Funds collection and buying needs to be done by the first week of December.

At this Thursday's Select Board zoom meeting, the COA has been requested to attend a meet & greet. No further information was available.

Heather reports: Today at noon is soup masters. Thursday is the Halloween party. Friday is games with the Weblo scouts. Fat Daddy's Apiary will be alternating with Growing Places on Wednesdays, and then every Wednesday going forward. The Halloween parade starts at 2:30. Volunteers for the COA table should send an email to Heather. The Mart pilot program is back again, and we are beta testers. They've turned a good corner with this one. The December 1st play will be \$70 per person for food, show, and cabaret. For Monday Wheat lunch deliveries we do have drivers.

It was agreed to continue with the board meetings on the last Tuesday of each month. Going forward, meetings are: November 29, December 27, January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27.

Chuck: web pictures of Heather, Lisa? Also looking to make sure that newsletter and calendar tabs are updated monthly on the website. Heather suggested adding a fuel assistance tab. For the \$20k fund, Corrine suggested a subcommittee to explore ideas and options. She will organize this effort.

The meeting adjourned at 11:31.

Respectfully submitted: Tom Byron

Bolton Council on Aging
FY23 Monthly Financial Report - October

<u>Category</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>	<u>----Actual---</u> %	<u>Total Year</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Remaining</u> %	<u>Balance</u> <u>Remaining</u>
<u>Town Warrant</u>					
<u>Fixed</u>					
Salary	13,435.20	28.85%	46,575	71.15%	33139.8
Wages	9738	28.85%	33758	71.15%	24020
Software Support	1190	100.00%	1190	0.00%	0
Building Lease	2193	47.22%	4644	52.78%	2451
Cable/DSL	370.55	25.68%	1443	74.32%	1072.45
Subtotal-Fixed	26926.75		87610		60683.25
<u>Discretionary</u>					
Purchased Services	1001.25	12.44%	8050	87.56%	7048.75
Telephone	118.77	20.44%	581	79.56%	462.23
Supplies	1486.45	80.35%	1850	19.65%	363.55
Subtotal-Discretionary	2606.47		10481		7874.53
<u>Total Warrant Spending</u>					
<u>Grant</u>					
Lisa- Extra 3 hours/TBD	1679.4	24.83%	6763	75.17%	5083.6
Fitness/Balance	474	59.25%	800	40.75%	326
Wellness	0	0.00%	1240	100.00%	1240
MCOA Dues	265	94.64%	280	5.36%	15
Transportation	23.78	27.98%	85	72.02%	61.22
Total Grant Spending	2442.18	26.64%	9168		6725.82
FY22 Grant Balance	4839.21				
FY22 Earmark Award	20,000				
Fuel Assitance Balance	9692.65				
GO Bolton Balance	943				

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Outreach/Program Minutes

Upcoming programs-

Today-Become a Soup Master with Therapy Gardens. This program is being held in Flo's memory and being funded with the donations that came in her memory after her passing.

Thursday-Halloween Party! Come have some fun with us!

Friday- Game night with the Boy Scouts

We now have Fat Daddy's Apiary coming with their mobile market on the weeks that Growing Places isn't here. They have a wide variety of things such as homemade bread, pastries, fresh cheese, microgreens, their own lettuce, mushrooms, and honey and so much more. They will also be able to come right through the winter with fresh produce because they grow things hydroponically.

December newsletter submissions are due by 11/18.

We are participating in the Town trick or treat lane on Saturday at Florence Sawyer. It would be great if there were more than just Lisa and I representing the COA. Set up begins at 2:15pm, parade starts at 3pm. please let me know if you are around to help!

Fuel Assistance letters will be mailed out on 11/1. New England Farm Workers sent out their recertification letters in October, and the portal will be open to new applicants on 11/1. Our donation request will be printed on bright pink paper as an insert in the annual census.

Mart pilot program is moving forward! We have begun to use the new ride booking program and the driver tablet program is just about ready to use. I think we have turned a corner!

On December 1st we will be offering a day trip to Newport Playhouse to see A Christmas for Carol. Cost is \$70 for Bolton Seniors, \$75 for all others.

Summary Statistics from 09/01/2022 to 09/30/2022**Filters:**

Age: >=60

Site(s): All

Deceased: No

Archived: No

Activity Type	Duplicated	Unduplicated
Events	191	59
Rides	88	20
Services	42	28
Total People Served	321	71

