

Age-Friendly Conway Committee
Minutes from Aug 22, 2024; 9-10:30 a.m.
Town Hall, General Purpose Room

Present: Chair Robin Yerkes, members Tilda Hunting, Thad Bennett, Pat Lynch, Kat Llamas, Jody Lally and George Forcier; Rachel Stoler and Meg Ryan from Franklin Regional Council of Governments.

Absent: Phil Kantor, Prospective member Lisa Hebert.

Minutes of July 25, 2024, meeting approved unanimously.

Info tri-folder: Thad showed us the informational folder he has produced, timed to be used at the Festival of the Hills. He solicited feedback and will make some tweaks. He has also developed a printed survey form soliciting opinions about where to locate the new bench purchased with with remaining state allocation for last fiscal year. (The 6-foot bench made of no-maintenance recycled plastic and aluminum was ordered at a cost of roughly \$1,200 has been stored until a location is determined.)

Senior Prom: The Council on Aging has declined to run the planned second Senior Prom social event next June. AFC will try partnering with Friends of Field Memorial Library again for another year, with the idea that after two years experience we could find another group like the COA to take over. Also reached consensus that we can work around acoustics at the library as a venue.

Festival of the Hills: We will staff an info booth at the Festival again this year, using Thad's promo material, the bench survey and other materials. Details to be determined at our Sept. 26 meeting.

Robin will get candies to be used to tally votes of our survey in candy jars. Thad will reserve space for our tent.

Other discussions:

— **OUTDOOR EXERCISE:** Robin reported that anecdotal reports from Truro Senior Center indicate seniors don't use an outdoor inter-generational exercise course there. The idea requires further development.

— **APPOINTMENTS:** Since our discussion about the status of our appointment, it has been confirmed that the selectboard has named 8 officially. We should have received formal letters, telling us to get sworn in by the town clerk. So far only Kat has been sworn in.

Our expiration dates:

Jody, Kat, 2025

Thad, Tilda, Pat, Robyn, 2026

George, Phil, 2027

— **SUBCOMMITTEES.** Those interested in serving on subcommittees are still encouraged to tell Robyn. Committees might work on Support Groups, Home Repairs, Prom, Exercise Course, and Transportation.

Future meetings: Generally, fourth Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.

Next meetings: Sept. 26 at 8:30 and Oct. 24 at 9 a.m.