

Talbot County Commission on Aging Meeting Minutes



Location: Brookletts Place - Talbot Senior Center 400 Brookletts Ave. Easton, MD 21601

Wednesday, May 14, 2025, 8:30 A.M. – Annual Meeting

Members Present: Rachel Smith; Lynn Mielke; Kathleen Dormody; Sandy Wieland; Carrie Ottey; Herb Cain; Childlene Brooks; Megan Murray; Jenna Marchi; Rachael Cox; Kate Stinton; Jennifer Pierson; Amy Keller; Brenda Stone; Veda Gibson

Members Absent: Ellen Taggert; Grace Lyons

Guests: Wendy Palmer, YMCA of the Chesapeake- Chronic Disease; Catherine Stitchberry, Mobile Integrated Health- Paramedic

1. Call meeting to order: 8:34 am

2. Approval of April Minutes: Minutes Approved without corrections

3. Treasurer's Report: No Report

4. Old Business:

- A. Committees
 - a. The updated sub-committees were attached to the invite. Leads have been assigned to all sub-committees.
 - b. An email about involvement in the Talbot County Commission on Aging was sent out.
- B. Mobile Integrated Health Care Week- October 2025
 - a. Notice on Website- Commission on Aging
 - b. Flyers to be distributed
 - c. Drop Box locations
 - a. Supply Drive (October 2025)
- C. Openings on the Commission
 - a. We have 18 voting members and 4 vacancies

5. Committee updates:

- A. Senior Housing Updates from Jenna
 - a. A letter was sent to the Council to solicit space for shelter and a Task Force.
 - b. County Council creating a Task Force on Senior Homelessness- Lynn Mielke
 - c. The next meeting: TBD
- B. Senior Resource Fair: May 21, 2025
 - a. Marketing:
 - 1. Created as an event on Facebook



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- 2. Facebook Posts have been made, and we continue to use posts on Facebook to advertise
- 3. The press release has been completed and will be released once again when we get closer to the event
- 4. The event has been created on the TCCOA website
- 5. The event has been created on the County Council Calendar
- 6. APG will continue to run a full-page Ad
- 7. An ad was created for Attraction Magazine in addition to the blurb we provided
- 8. The event was added to the APG events
- 9. Allegro Academy to perform at lunchtime: 12:30 pm
- 10. The vendor registration form can be found on the TCCOA website
 - 35 Vendors Registered
- 11. Talbot Spy Interview on May 1st at 1:30 with Megan and Grace
- 12. Volunteer sign-up- list to be sent out
- 13.DCT set
- 14. Flyers distributed in the community
- 15.Email Flyers to:
 - Wendy Palmer, YMCA
 - Amy Horne, St. Michaels Community Center
 - Talbot Women's Club

16.\$2300 received and \$506 costs

- b. The next meeting: TBD
- C. Marketing: Website/Social Media/Email:
- 1. Talbot Spy Interviews
 - a. First Quarter: Senior Supply Drive Carrie and Lee (Done)
 - b. Second Quarter: Senior Resource Fair Grace and Megan (Done)
 - c. Third Quarter: Bay Hundred Community Volunteers
 - a. Rachel to contact Bill Shrieves
 - d. Fourth Quarter: Mobile Integrated Health Rachael Cox
 - a. Beginning of October
 - e. Website Amy Keller's photo is needed
 - D. New Business:
 - a. Regional COA meeting October 16, 10-2pm, Centreville, MD
 - b. A Date for the Cycling Without Age Program



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- a. Is Zoom an option?
- b. Jen Pierson would like a presentation for the Rehab Group at Shore Health
- c. Congratulations to Childlene!

E. Updates:

- a. Senior Prom, Brooklett's Place- June 13, 5pm-8pm
- b. Senior Resource Meeting, TCDSS- June date TBD
- c. Upper Shore Aging
 - a. Senior Care Program, level funded for FY26
 - b. Senior Assisted Living Subsidy- reduced for FY 26

F. Adjournment: 9:36 am

Next Meeting: June 11, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

<u>Talbot County Commission on Aging Vision:</u> ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL SENIORS IN TALBOT COUNTY

Talbot County Commission on Aging Mission:

THE COMMISSION ON AGING WILL ADVISE THE TALBOT COUNTY COUNCIL ON ISSUES AFFECTING SENIORS AND ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE