

MINUTES March 20, 2019

Waynesboro Disabilities and Aging Board for Independence

Attendance: Marie Overstreet, Donna Atkins, Jeanie McCutcheon, Charlie Downs, Jim Hall

The February meeting was canceled due to inclement weather.

Old Business

- Jeanie McCutcheon updated on the ongoing process at the Health Dept. to produce a pamphlet outline the services they are mandated to provide.
- Marie Overstreet shared an update on St. John's food pantry. The pantry is open every Friday at 9:00 am. Family allowed to attend 1 time per month.
- Ray LaFalce continued to research senior citizen real estate tax adjustments, he contacted the city of Charlottesville to determine their process.

Booklet discussion

- Through the process of gathering information of community resources it was discovered that several organizations have already compiled lists. These include.
 - Central Intake for Staunton, Waynesboro, Augusta County, Rockbridge, Bath County and Highland County. They can be contacted at 540910-2121
 - Directory of Services produced by Shenandoah Valley Social Services, accessed through 211
 - United Way Community Resources for the Greater Augusta Region brochure.
 - Greater Augusta Coalition Against Adult Abuse brochure
 - VPAS Greater Augusta Resource Guide for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities.
- This led to a discussion of the need to recreate a resource that already exists in different forms. The discussion led a means to find ways to increase the awareness of these resources to the community. One thought was to reduce the proposed booklet to a listing of the available documents. The other idea was to make contact with the News Virginian concerning an article or series of monthly articles highlighting resources and issues relating to aging and disabled. Jim Hall will make contact with the editor to discuss this idea.
- Membership issues were discussed. The board currently has 5 active members. The Board has openings in the following categories 2 disabled, 1 senior category and 1 in the provider category. It was discussed that Springdale Apts. or other organizations that may have information of individuals who may be interested and expertise to bring to the board. Jim Hall agreed to contact Julia Bortle about running an advertisement for interested individuals.
- Future topics for our future meetings were discussed. It was decided that Brian Edwards at Waynesboro Police Department to discuss elder scams for our April meeting. Sarah Liddle was suggested by Charlie to share at our May meeting.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:00.

Jim Hall

Acting Secretary