

Town of Reading Meeting Minutes



2828 JUL 27 AM 7:52

Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

Reading Center for Active Living Committee

Date: 2023-06-28

Time: 6:30 PM

Building: Reading Town Hall

Location: Conference Room

Address: 16 Lowell Street

Session:

Purpose: RECALC Monthly Meeting

Version: Final

Attendees:

Members - Present:

John O'Neill, Ron Assini, Nora Bucko, John Parsons, Mark Dockser, Michael

Coltman, John Sasso

Members - Not Present:

Others Present:

Jenna Fiorente, Marilyn Shapleigh

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Ron Assini

Topics of Discussion:

- 1. Attendance
- 2. Acceptance of Minutes of Last Meeting 3.9.23
- 3. Review of New Charges from the Select Board
- 4. Development of Implementation Plan for Additional Responsibilities
- 5. Associate Members
- 6. Scheduling of Next Meeting
- Motion to accept minutes from March 9, 2023 Approval for minutes John O'Neill, Ron Assini, Nora Bucko, John Parsons, Mark Dockser

Mark Dockser provide an update on the new charge.

New Feasibility

What could ReCALC do to help the firm being hired with useful information of what ReCALC did. Mostly as it relates to a updated facility.

Working Group Assignments: Ron Assini, John Sasso, Mark Dockser Lead: Mark Dockser

2. What can we Reading offer in terms on new programs, especially for the 60+.

What are other Senior centers doing? What are the popular programs? Attend MCOA yearly conference - https://mcoaonline.com/2022-fall-conference/

Working Group Assignments: Michael Coltman, Nora Bucko, John Parsons

Lead: Michael Coltman

3. How do we fund additional programs? Financing, grants, Friends of Reading Seniors 501(3c), Senior Center Thrift Shop

Working Group Assignments: John Sasso, John O'Neill, Mark Dockser Lead: John Sasso

4. Transportation continues to be an issue? Volunteer Uber for Seniors. What are the options that are out there for Seniors More vans, staffing, subsidizes programs. Working with other communities? Other there grants available via State/Federal. Talk to RMLD to what they're looking at for initiatives. Work ATS medical transport, expand the program.

Working Group Assignments: John O'Neill, Michael Coltman, John Parsons Lead: John O'Neill

The committee agreed to take each of the new items in the charge and create Working Group for each item.

Select Board authorized to have two associate members. There will be a process to recruit and select associate members.

John Sasso recommended that the communications plans created by ReCALC be turned over to the COA. Add to the agenda on the next agenda for July 26th.

Next meeting: Wednesday July 26th. 6:30 - 8:30pm

Motion to adjourn:

Meeting Close: John O'Neill, Ron Assini, Nora Bucko, John Parsons, Mark Dockser, Michael Coltman, John Sasso