

Louisa County Commission on Aging

Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2022

Members Present: Jo Griffith, Jon Tustin, Willie Gentry, Joanne Hoyle, Lily Bramble, Robin Antonucci, Florence Reece, Cindy Swann, one other attendee – not sure of name.

Treasurers Report: Lillian Morris, Treasurer, not present.

Introduction of Speaker: N/A

Old Business

New Officers

Jo Griffith elected as Chairperson. Jon Tustin elected as vice chairperson.

Toll Free Number

Willie Gentry expressed concerns over how information will get from the JABA toll free line to Louisa. Willie will coordinate with JABA staff.

Yellow Book

Joanne Hoyle gave update. JABA is working on covers: back cover almost done. Website shows print ready format. Draft will be sent out prior to going to print. There are some issues with paper supply but goal is to have book ready for print by June 1, 2022. Additionally, each member will distribute copies in their districts. Copies should be ready for distribution by end of June.

Survey Committee Report

Robin Antonucci gave update. Changes/modifications made to latest version. Zip code boxes for preselection will be eliminated; responders to input their own zip code. Income levels changed to better reflect poverty level and median income in Louisa. Greater range of income provided. Certain comments on healthcare and ability to live with or without assistance added. Also Robin would forward draft to her former colleague Justin for some input on the revised draft.

Jo Griffith suggested putting survey into Yellow Book. Also suggested capturing residents age 60 or older. Jon suggested change to age 55.

Willie Gentry suggested reorder survey sections as Transportation, Healthcare then Housing. Willie also suggested we all consider best method of distribution.

New Business

Minutes Approval

Minutes from April 6, 2022 approved.

Additional Committees

Robin Antonucci suggested a committee on land use and the County's Planning activities be considered. After results of the survey are reviewed then the Commission could present findings to the Board of Supervisors and County staff on incorporating certain recommendations as part of the land development process.

Chamber of Commerce Membership

Jo Griffith brought up potential of membership in the Louisa County Chamber of Commerce. Item to be discussed at June meeting.

Board of Supervisors Meetings

Board will make resolution that May is Senior's month. Commission should consider sending members to meetings of Board as necessary. Joanne Hoyle stated that Willie attends Board meetings monthly and can advise if there are items of interest to the Commission.

Social Media

A suggestion was made about the Commission having a Facebook page. Several members questioned the need for it and the amount of man-hours it would take to keep it up to date and to monitor online activities/comment. Item open for future discussion.

A suggestion was offered about having a column for seniors in the Central Virginian. Perhaps once per month to start. Members of Commission could submit items relevant to Louisa County seniors. Item open for future discussion.