

OCPC Council Meeting– July 28, 2021

7:00 pm via Zoom Meeting

Draft Minutes

President Christine Joy called the meeting of the Old Colony Planning Council to Order at 7:00 PM. The meeting is being held virtually on Zoom and recorded.

President Christine Joy read into the record the Accessibility Statement and Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement.

ATTENDANCE

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Role</u>
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Staff attending:

Mary Waldron	Executive Director
Charles Kilmer	Assistant Director and Transportation Manager
William McNulty	Principal Transportation Planner
Dottie Fulginiti	Economic Recovery Planner
David Klein	Administrator, Area Agency on Aging
Ray Guarino	Principal Transportation Planner
Guoqiang Li	Principal Transportation Planner

Guest(s):

None

President Christine Joy introduced Alex Hagerty, Select Board member from Abington, as the new alternate delegate from Abington. She also noted that delegate Valerie Massard has just become the Kingston planner and will serve as the alternate delegate for Kingston.

Consent Agenda:

President Christine Joy removed the Regional Clearinghouse Reviews from the Consent Agenda and move to the regular agenda.

Accepting of Minutes of June 30, 2021 Council meeting.

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda (minutes):

Second:

Roll Call to accept the Consent Agenda:

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Minutes unanimously accepted.

Financial Report for June 2021

presented by Finance Committee Chair, Doug Sylvestre

1 **Statement of Expenditures Report** shows total expenses for the month of \$201,549.47

2 **Cash Position Report**

Income for the month of \$693,038.89

Disbursements for the month were \$317,130.92

The Total cash available at month's end was \$1,718,849.17

OPEB Account had a GAIN of – \$3,881.50

Bringing the ending balance in the OPEB account to \$877,272.61

3. **Budget Resources Report**: Total receipts for the month of \$693,038.89 brings the total cumulative receipts for this fiscal year to \$3,828,153.55

4. **AAA Report** – Pass through total cumulative billings total for FY22 is at \$639,923.00. The remaining Fund Balances at this time are a total of \$1,890,450.00

Ombudsman and Admin funds show Cumulative Billings Total at \$99,586.00 Bringing the remaining Balances in Admin and Ombudsman to a total of \$308,212.00

Volunteer Transportation Funds Balance ending May 2021 are \$186,701.12

Payments to VTP Volunteers \$734.39

Volunteer Transportation Funds Balance ending June 2021 are \$185,966.73

5. **ROM JUNE 2021 Statement and Activity**:

Balance at the beginning of June: \$178,148.59

June Receipts: \$5,850.00

Bringing Total ROM FY21 Receipts to \$70,200.00

June Expenses were: \$6,130.21

Bringing Total ROM Expenses FY21 to \$77,303.63

The ending balance in the ROM Bank Account in June was: \$183,925.46

6. **Budget Report** –

Total Expenditures through End of FY21 ending in June were a total of \$1,838,791.00

This is \$516,819.00 less than the original projected budget due to changes from impacts of COVID such as travel and office supplies.

Actual recorded income for FY21: \$2,007,332.00

This is \$40,138.00 less than the original budget due to changes from impacts of COVID.

Actual Pass-Through Funds \$1,213,350.00

Posted total income: \$3,220,582.00

End of year posted income from Grants, Programs & Other Misc. Sources \$2,007,232.00

Actual Expenses \$1,838,791.00

EOY Adjusted Budget Surplus Balance: \$ 168,441.00

Note that there was a Finance Committee meeting yesterday. Bob Moran will lead a SWOT analysis of the OPEB account and hopes to present to the Council in September.

Acceptance of the Finance Report

Motion to accept the Finance Report: Sandra Wright
 Second: Steven Santeusanio

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Financial Report unanimously accepted.

Staff Report:

Executive Director, Mary Waldron reviewed the staff report noting a new section covering Office Administration. Mary noted she and staff are meeting with the communities one at a time beginning with Avon, Abington and Easton. Reviewed submissions from Area Agency on Aging, Community Planning and Economic Development, Economic Recovery Planning, Transportation, Drone program, Geographic Information Systems, Community Septic.

MA DOT approved payment of pavement management software valued at \$10,000.00. Council approved purchase of a new plotter for GIS.

Regional Clearinghouse Reviews:

Industrial Revenue Bonds: None

Environmental Notifications

EEA #16409 – Former National Fireworks Site – Hanover/Hanson

EEA # 16373 – Aldana Road Land Swap – Halifax (Certificate)

EEA #16383 – Lincoln Park – West Bridgewater (Certificate)

Public Notice – Draft Resource Management Plan Report – City of Brockton

For information only, no action required by the Council.

New Council Start Time proposed to be 6pm

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Motion to start the meetings at 6pm starting in September: Lee Hartmann

Second: Sandra Wright

Motion accepted unanimously

Mary will send notice of this meeting time change to the Council members and will also make personal phone calls to ensure the members are made aware of the new start time.

AAA Review: Draft Area Plan and FY 22 Title III Grant Awards: presented by David Klein

David Klein presented the AAA Focus Area Coordination, 2022 to 2025

The Older Americans Act requires the area plan to be updated every four years.

Focus Areas provides that Older Americans Act core programs target the following populations to assist older individuals with the greatest economic and social needs:

1. Living Alone (Isolated) Elders
2. Low Income Elders
3. Minority Elder Populations

4. Native American Populations (where germane)
5. Rural Elder Populations (where germane)
6. Socially Isolated Populations (i.e., geographic in nature; LGBTQ+; limited English proficient elders; separations from friends and family/COVID-19 related; and other socially isolated populations)

ACL Focus Areas - To meet the needs of OAA target populations, the Administration for Community Living established the following Focus Areas and associated pillars (in italics):

1. Older Americas Act Core Programs – *_Supporting families and caregivers.*
2. Participant-Directed/Person-Centered Planning – *_Connecting people to resources.*
3. Elder Justice – *_Protecting rights and preventing abuse.*

Elder Affairs Goals – *_Elder Affairs* formulated the following goals to update and further support the serving of OAA target populations and the development of ACL Focus Area programs:

1. Support aging in community, including supporting age-friendly and dementia-capable communities.
2. Prepare for evolving demographic trends and support the care-force.
3. Empower healthy aging.
4. Prevent injury, violence, and exploitation of older adults.
5. Strengthen a “no wrong door” approach to aging and disability services.
6. Ensure quality, person-centered and community-based care through data-driven, evidence-informed methods.

Becky Coletta commented on the Empowering Healthy Aging part of the plan and sees the list as a way to help people age in a community centric way. People should know about these services when they need them. Executive Director, Mary Waldron mentioned that Easton is creating an Age Friendly action plan.

Motion to accept the AAA Focus Area Coordination Plan, 2022 to 2025: Sandra Wright
 Second: Steven Santeusanio

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Motion accepted with one abstention

David Klein Reviewed Title III FFFY 2022/2023 Pre-Applications, Standard Title III and carry over funds. Much of the budget is prescribed by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. There are likely to be additional funds from ARPA. David clarified that the AAA region includes four additional towns in addition to the OCPC 17 communities. Executive Director, Mary Waldron recommended that David include the Council Members and Delegates when he sends the information out to the communities.

Becky Coletta commented that these programs are only available to communities that have a social day program.

Some numbers had been updated since the original. The bottom line of 417,200.00 Bridgewater should be \$4,000 instead of \$4,200.00 and the Cape Verdean Society should be \$15,000.00 instead of \$10,000. The total for IIIB should be \$422,000.00 instead of \$417,000.00.

Motion to accept the Title III FFY 2022/2023 application with amendments as submitted: Becky Coletta
Second: Sydnè Marrow

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Motion unanimously accepted.

Status of Retirement Legislation

Executive Director, Mary Waldron testified before the Joint Committee on Public Service to support corrective legislation for retirement funding. Written testimony is being accepted through next week. Mary has drafted letters for Council members to send to their legislators. Charles Kilmer was very helpful in providing technical information and history. This liability if not adjusted could be as much as \$840,000.00.

Suggestions for future meeting agenda items

- Sandra Wright and Jeanmarie Kent Joyce requested a presentation on Suicide Prevention. Mary Waldron will work with a subcommittee to put together a resource guide to assist communities with social issues including suicide prevention and opioid substance use issues. Becky Coletta suggested getting information from the Plymouth County Sherriff's office.
- John Costa requested discussion of pesticides being used by the MBTA
- Mary Waldron reminded President Joy that Bob Moran may be on the September agenda to review the SWOT for OPEB.
- Becky Coletta is interested in South Coast Rail and Cape Cod Bridge updates and how those would impact the region. Charles Kilmer gave a brief update on South Coast Rail.

Next meeting: no Council meeting in August.

The next meeting will be [September 29, 2021](#) at the [new time of 6pm](#).

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:20 pm by Steven Santeusanio

Second: Sandra Wright

Adjourned by unanimous vote