



Talbot County Commission on Aging Meeting Minutes



Location: Brookletts Place - Talbot Senior Center

400 Brookletts Ave. Easton, MD 21601

Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 8:30 A.M.

Members Present: Ellen Taggart; Rachel Smith; Carrie Ottey; Lee Newcomb; Jacqueline Krenick; Veda Gibson; Kate Stinton; Megan Murray; Childlene Brooks; Rachel Cox; Lynn Mielke; Jen Pierson; Jenna Marchi

Members Absent: Herb Cain; Kathleen Dormody; Sandy Wieland; Grace Lyons;

1. Call meeting to order: 8:31am
2. Approval of February Minutes: No revisions; Motion to approve- Kate Stinton; 2nd- Carrie Ottey; Approved
3. Treasurer's Report: No Update
4. Old Business:
 - A. Openings on the Commission-
 - a. No voting positions open on the Commission at this time
5. Sub-Committee Updates:
 - A. *Senior Task Force*: **Jenna**
 - a. Updates from the Meeting (Second Thursday of each month)
 - a. Letter drafted to County Council, update
 - b. Letter drafted to Town of Easton advocating for use of Shore Health Property
 - c. St. Marks, second property- fell through
 - B. *Senior Resource Fair*: **Jen**
 - a. May 20, 2026, 10:00 am- 1:00 pm
 - a. Jamie is confirmed for Pit Beef –will serve from the kitchen, \$11 per meal
 - b. Flyers
 - i. Save the date flyer done
 - ii. Vendor Applications sent
 - c. Advertising: Megan, budget \$1,696.00
 - i. Radio, free publications, Talbot Spy, Facebook
 - ii. See about advertising through Chesapeake Forum
 - d. Posted on our webpage under events
 - e. Under the Talbot County Calendar
 - f. DCT to provide Transportation- needs to be booked, Jenna will follow up
 - g. Vendor form and payment-max # vendors ~38
 - i. Vendor cost \$125, sign up starts 3/6/26, check only payment
 - h. Fire Department Booked (day of and day before)
 - i. Student volunteers to help with parking, etc.
 - j. Bay Country Chorus, Movement by Melanie and YMCA-check with Wendy
 - k. Tote bags at check-in, magnifying glasses at COA table for giveaways
 - l. Balance checks-UMSRH, Adv Directives-UM Pop Health, MIH-BP checks, TCHD-HIV/Hep C testing + connection to other programs



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- m. Consider making a checklist for next year for ease of planning
- n. The next meeting: 04/02/2026, 8:30am

C. Marketing: Website/Social Media/Email

Talbot Spy Interviews

- a. **First Quarter:** Fraud and Scams- Lee Newcomb- 02/11- Done
- b. **Second Quarter:** Senior Resource Fair- Jen/ Megan -initiate in April
- c. **Third Quarter:** Senior Task Force
- d. **Fourth Quarter:** Shore Neurocognitive Health

Website – Amy Keller's photo is needed, Jacqueline photo and bio.

D. Nursing Home Sub-Committee: Jen and Kate

a. Short Term Goals

- 1. Web based resource guide-check with Rachael Cox- Printed copy with QR codes for links- Initial portion developed by June 2026
- 2. One stop shop with links to information- No Update
- 3. County Council approved PT Ombudsmen position to be supported by Upper Shore Aging
- 4. Developing a letter and a “one pager” to send to Senator, Delegates, MDoA, TCDSS, TCHD, state ombudsman, other suggestions: RMC; Chamber of Commerce; OHCQ; Medicare/ Medicaid fraud- By end of March

b. Next Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the month- 8:30 am (April 7)

E. Senior Supply Drive: Carrie and Wendy

- a. Updated the Amazon list- QR Code
- b. New Flyer completed w/ social media posts
- c. Bins for Local Business-all placed
 - 1. YMCA- All 3 locations
 - 2. Hill's
 - 3. Pemberton
 - 4. Austin Medical
 - 5. Londonderry- Rotary Club

6. New Business:

A. Easton Club East Senior Resource Fair, March 25

7. Updates:

A. Parkview being sold- unknown impact on current residents

B. Partners in Care- now under Hospice of the Chesapeake

C. March 19, Alzheimer's Association Guest Bartending at Mama Maria's in Trappe

D. Bill in legislation to require law enforcement training in dementia, autism

8. Adjournment:

Next Meeting: April 8, 2026 @ 8:30 A.M.

Talbot County Commission on Aging Vision:

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