



## Talbot County Commission on Aging Meeting Minutes



Location: Brookletts Place - Talbot Senior Center

400 Brookletts Ave. Easton, MD 21601

**Wednesday, February 11, 2026, 8:30 A.M.**

**Members Present:** Rachel Smith, Jenna Marchi, Jen Pierson, Kathleen Dormody, Kate Stinton, Jacqueline Kreinik, Lynn Mielke, Childlene Brooks, Ellen Taggart, Veda Gibson, Amy Keller, Sandy Wieland, Carrie Ottey, Megan Murray, Megan Pinder, Grace Lyons

**Members Absent:** Andy Hollis, Herb Cain, Wendy Palmer, Lee Newcomb, Rachael Cox

**Guests:** Ashley Haldeman (PAM Rehab), Brittany Middleton (MOW's)

1. Call meeting to order: 8:30am
2. Approval of January Minutes: Motion: Ellen, Second: Jenna. Approved with one revision to item #3B County Budget Discussions
3. Treasurer's Report: discussed in Senior Resource Fair updates
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. Researching properties- St. Mark's II?
      - b. Examples of successes from other localities
  - 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 kitchen, \$11/meal
      - b. Flyers
        - i. Save the date flyer done
      - c. Advertising: Megan, how much money do we have for advertising? \$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 revisions and payment revisions-max # vendors ~38
        - i. Vendor cost \$125, sign up starts 3/6/26, check only payment
      - h. Fire Department Booked
      - i. Student volunteers to help with parking, etc.
      - j. 2 singing groups (Allegra + one other), 2 entertainment groups (Movement by Melanie, 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: 3/5/2026

*C. Marketing: Website/Social Media/Email*

Talbot Spy Interviews

- a. **First Quarter:** Fraud and Scams- Lee Newcomb- 02/11
- 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

*D. Nursing Home Sub-Committee: Jen and Kate*

- a. Short Term Goals
  - 1. Web based resource guide-check with Rachael Cox, establish timeline, by June? Printed copy with QR codes for links
  - 2. One stop shop with links to information
  - 3. Letter to County Council to request PT Ombudsmen for Talbot- *sent*
  - 4. Planning to send letter to Senator, Delegates, MDoA, TCDSS, TCHD, state ombudsman, other suggestions: RMC? Chamber of Commerce?
    - i Letter will have less about Ombudsman and more about bigger picture-poor care in NF's, ratings not current, etc.
- b. Create a resource Guide of local facilities
  - 1. Demystifying process
  - 2. NH vs Rehab
  - 3. Direction for navigating websites
  - 4. Medicare vs Managed Medicare
  - 5. Veterans
  - 6. How to report a problem and seek help
- c. Next Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the month- 8:30 am (March 3<sup>rd</sup>)

*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
- d. Partner with Local businesses by the second week in January-done
- e. First Day of the Drive, January 26th, and running through February 27<sup>th</sup>.

6. New Business:

A. *USA's community needs assessment- shared  
in meeting invite*

7. Updates: *none*

8. Adjournment: **9:37 am**

**Next Meeting: March 11, 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