FAIRFAX AREA COMMISSION ON AGING
FINAL MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke, VA 22015

Commissioners Present: Richard Chobot (Chair), Kay Larmer (Vice Chair), Cathy Muha, Grace Paris Starbird, Carolyn Sutterfield

Commissioners Absent: Phil Ashmore, Tom Bash, Sharron Dryer, Joe Heastie, Bob Kuhns

Staff Present: Sharon Lynn, Jacquie Woodruff

Others Present: Mary Chobot, Mary C. Chobot & Associates; Michelle Paris, Kaiser Permanente; Kevin Greenlief, Director, Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration; Greg Bruch, Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration; Justin Nejad, Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration; Bryan Frank, Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration; Patricia Rohrer, Fairfax County Health Department; Mark Turner, Right at Home; Monica Thomas, Goodwin House

Call to Order, Adoption of Meeting Agenda, Review and Adoption of Draft Meeting Minutes
Chair Rich Chobot called the meeting to order at 12 noon.

Carolyn motioned that the agenda and minutes be approved. Kay seconded.

Public Comment
No public comment.

Discussion: Tax Relief for Older Adults and People with Disabilities – Kevin C. Greenlief, Director, Department of Tax Administration
Kevin Greenlief provided an overview of Fairfax County tax relief available for older adults and people with disabilities. In accordance with BOS FY18 BOS budget guidelines, a budget workshop on tax relief will be developed for the summer or fall. Rich requested that the budget workshops be advertised in the Golden Gazette. Distributed material included an application for tax relief, except from DTA Lines of Business 2016, Response to Question on the 2016 LOBs.

Old Business
The BOS Fairfax 50+ Committee meeting is June 28, 10:30 a.m.–12 p.m. in Government Center Rooms 9/10. The agenda will include the Fairfax 50+ Community Action Plan Annual Report and presentations on two initiatives: Financial Exploitation and Trends.
Representatives from the North Springfield Civic Association would like to assist with the Fairfax 50+ Community Action Plan. They are particularly interested in the Trends Analysis and offered to do a survey of older adults in the North Springfield area. Sharon will arrange a meeting with them and others to discuss.

Rich distributed a draft letter regarding property tax relief. After discussion, the COA agreed to table the item.

Rich expressed concern about the proposed distribution of funds from a meals tax. After discussion, the COA agreed to table the item.

Kay distributed a draft letter regarding concerns about the proposed Lincolnia shelter. After discussion, Carolyn motioned that the letter be held until more information is obtained. Grace seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Rich Chobot called a special meeting for further discussion and a vote on whether the COA will send a letter regarding the issue.

**New Business**
No new business.

**Director’s Report**
Sharon reported that the Shark Tank coverage will air on Channel 16 on Sundays in June.

**Commissioner Updates**
Kay attended the NVAN legislative brainstorming meeting and will send the identified legislative priorities to the COA.

Grace reported that the City of Falls Church held an aging forum.

Carolyn’s presentation to the City Council was featured in the Fairfax Connection.

Jessica Hudson, the new Fairfax County Public Library Director, will begin June 13.

**Adjournment**
Grace motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Carolyn seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m.