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Citizens Advisory Council Meeting Friday, September 29, 2023

The Citizens Advisory Council for the Huntingdon-Bedford-Fulton Area Agency on Aging met on Friday September 29, 2023 at the Hopewell Senior Center. Prudence Harkleroad, President of the Citizens Advisory Council opened the meeting with the pledge and prayer.

Item 1-Welcome. Prudence Harkleroad welcomed all council members to the meeting.

Item 2 – Approval of the minutes. On a Meitrott/Lohr motion: The minutes of the July 29, 2023, meeting are approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3- Agency financial report. The financial report for July 2023 was reviewed. Deb Meitrott asked how the current budget impasse is affecting HBFAAA. Connie explained the Agency does currently have a \$2 million line of credit to help cover operation costs during a budget impasse. Connie reviewed the financial report with shows the Agency under budget in most programs. The Caregiver Support Program is currently overspent at the present time. A waiting list has been implemented until the Agency either receives additional funding or comes in line with expenses.

<u>Item 4 – Master Plan for Older Adults.</u> Connie conducted the Agency's last Master Plan for Older Adults listening session. The Agency completed 10 other sessions across the three-county service area. AARPs eight areas of age friendly domains were utilized to collect input for the 10 year plan. The eight areas include: Transportation, Respect & Social inclusion, Communication & Information, Housing, Social Participation, Outdoor Spaces & Buildings, Community Support Health Services, Civic Engagement & Employment.

<u>Item 5 – Senior Center Scheduled Activities</u>. Bobbi Manges provided information on new activities at the senior centers. The Agency is working with the Center for Independent Living to have Wellness Wednesday's. Vaccine Clinic will be scheduled at the center where flu, COVID and Shingles Vaccines can be received. The CIL is also assisting with Tech classes and fraud seminars. Handouts were provided with date, time and locations of the events.

<u>Item 6- Transportation Fare Increase.</u> The new transportation fare increase information sheet was distributed to participants.

Item 7- Upcoming Events. Information was distributed to participants at the meeting.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned.