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## MADISON SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION NOTES March 11, 2021 \* ZOOM MEETING

\* Technical difficulties prevented normal attendance.

**COVID 19 UPDATE**: Austin reports that COVID Vaccine Clinics are taking place every Thursday at the Madison Town Campus Gym.

- As of 3/1/21 97% of town residents over 75 years old have been vaccinated.
- As of 3/1/21 76% of town residents over 65 years old have been vaccinated.
- Vaccinations to homebound residents will begin next week.
- As of 3/22/21 Ages 45-54 will be eligible.
- 300 were vaccinated on 3/11 at Town Campus. (200 from Board of Ed, 85 second doses and 20 new people).

**SENIOR AND DISABLED TAX RELIEF:** Austin reports anyone enrolled during 2019 and 2020 will automatically receive benefits this year.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Heather is on committee regarding affordable housing and is attending bi-weekly meetings. Will keep Commission updated.

**DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION**: Austin has been involved in meetings with Beach and Rec and First Selectwoman regarding upcoming beach season, beach passes and programming.

## **ADDITIONAL TOPICS:**

- Austin continues to discuss and investigate safely re-opening senior center according to CDC and State Guidelines
- Austin states that transportation may begin again starting next week. Justin Murphy reports that St. Margaret's is offering volunteer transportation and offers the services to those in need from Senior Center.
- Austin reports a meeting is scheduled to take place next week with Dr. Kerins, VNA Community Healthcare and Hospice CEO Janine Fay and himself regarding feasibility of re-opening Strong House Adult Center and possibility of TOM involvement.

Next Zoom Meeting: Thursday, April 8,2021 at 5:30

Respectfully Submitted,

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