Council on Aging Cafeteria Meeting, 18 Jacobs Road Minutes Thursday, July 28, 2022

Present: Victoria Burrington, Margaret Freeman, Donna Hyytinen, Sue Lively, Cathy Tallen.

Meeting called to order at 1.31 p.m. Review Agenda: no items.

M/S/P Cathy, Sue, unanimous: to approve the 07-07-2022 minutes as written.

Cori: Victoria will check with the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to find out procedures and possible costs for signing up the Council on Aging.

Taiji: The recommendation is that new classes will start on Tuesday October 4 as follows: *Morning classes*: new members will meet from 9-11. Overlapping with regular class from 10-12; *Evening classes*: from 6-8 p.m. Margaret will contact the Building Use Committee to reserve space in the gym. Suggested donation for both: \$20 per month. M/S/P Cathy, Sue, unanimous: to accept the recommended dates and charges.

Activity ideas/planning: The Council decided to draw back from sponsoring a Town-wide Open House weekend since events are already being scheduled for the town center. Margaret will check with Kate Barrows about jointly holding a joint Open House at 18 Jacobs Road in the fall. Until COA has a further designated space, CH is still the site of the Senior Center.

Room 135: Sue recommended that the Council write a further letter to the Select Board that would express the need for space at JR given inadequacy of current space and indicate that we are at the point of launching senior activities. Margaret agreed to draft the letter.

M/S/P Margaret, Sue, unanimous: that the Council has decided that the current Senior Center space is inadequate so that we request space be provided at 18 Jacobs Road.

Foot Clinic: The Council unfortunately missed the application date for Title III funding. However, the Wells Foundation has awarded us the equivalent amount. The first clinic drew 19-20 people and resulted in \$255 in donations, with cost being S387.50. Victoria is meeting with Simonne to discuss how the clinic went and determine changes if needed.

Community Café: The July café is scheduled in the Cafeteria for this coming Saturday from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Donna has arranged for baked goods. Margaret will bring hot water and coffee pots, arrange with Pat to have her box of puzzles, and buy water and milk. Cathy will provide music.

M/S/P Margaret, Cathy, unanimous: to move the Senior Program Coordinator item to the end of the meeting.

Community Monitor Program: Victoria will forward the information on September training sessions to the Building Use/Maintenance committees, and to Tim Lively.

MCOA dues: M/S/P Margaret/Cathy/unanimous: to pay annual membership dues from the COA expense account.

Senior Program Coordinator: Sue agreed to notify the town coordinator that the Council on Aging is ready to advertise the position after the Select Board has decided on the hourly rate.

M/S/P Cathy, Donna, unanimous: to advertise the SPC position as written, with the proviso that it will begin at 6 hours per week at \$20 per hour, with the possibility of extending the time once more funding is available.

New Business: Victoria will ask Tim to move the screen to JR for the Sept. 27 presentation on fraud avoidance.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 11 at 1:30 p.m. M/S/P Cathy, Margaret, unanimous: to adjourn at 2:56 p.m.