

**Council on Aging
Room 135, 18 Jacobs Road
Minutes Thursday, October 13, 2022**

Present: Victoria Burrington, Donna Hyytinen, Sue Lively.

Absent: Margaret Freeman, Cathy Tallen.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Review Agenda: Clarified items to be discussed under Activity planning.

M/S/P Cathy, Donna, unanimous: to approve the 09-22-2022 minutes as written.

Cori check: No new information available at this time.

Activity planning:

- Tai Chi: Both classes started Tuesday. Issue for some people regarding current COVID boosters. A basket for donations will be put out at each class to pay instructor.
- Pickleball: Considered suggestion to use gym for pickle ball through the winter. It was decided to forego this option right now based on information from a current player.
- Community Café: COA members will bring a few decorations from home rather than purchase any. Victoria will bring her phone system to add music to the occasion.

Square Dance request: After much discussion it was decided to sponsor quarterly dances for the coming year at the Community Hall with clear parameters regarding what the COA will be responsible for.

- Motion: COA will sponsor 1 dance every quarter for the coming year. We will apply to the Cultural Council for a \$400 grant, deadline October 17, to offset \$100 in band expenses for each dance. We will sell snacks during the dance. We will not be responsible for advertising, set up, clean up, or further payment to the band. M/S/P Sue, Donna, unanimous.
- Motion: COA gives Victoria permission to apply for the grant and to speak to Doug Wilkins to clarify COA's responsibility regarding the dances. M/S/P Sue, Donna, unanimous.

Room 135: Discussed supplies needed for the space. Donna is compiling a list of current known items. She will purchase a coffee maker. A more complete list will be developed at our next meeting.

Position posting: A motion was made and passed to approve the ad for Program Coordinator as presented. This will be posted on the town web page, sent to other local towns and placed in the Greenfield Recorder. The Select Board recommended a 3-member interview team, one COA member, Hilma, and Pat McGahan.

Program results: Anti scam and open house both went well. Victoria suggested a future talk program about funeral arrangement planning by Smith-Kelleher.

Future Schedule: Cancel November and December Community Café because of the holidays. Next brown bag is 11/10/22. Need to make phone calls a few days ahead to remind people.

Next COA meeting will be 10/27/22.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55.