MEDWAY COUNCIL ON AGING September 13, 2022

Mary Lou opened the meeting at 2 p.m.

Those in attendance included: Mary Lou Staples, Chairperson, Vonnie Clark, Vice Chairperson, Courtney Riley, Director of the Center, Charlene Tingley, Siri Krishna Khalsa, Bill Caton and Pam Balabanis. John Clark and Judy and Ron Lane were absent.

Also attending were Town Manager, Michael Boynton and Friends of Elders Director, Tim Pozsgai.

Mary Lou opened the meeting at 2p.m. and introduced Michael Boynton and Tim Pozsgai.

The Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Siri Krishna to accept the June 14, 2022 Secretary's Report. It was seconded by Pam and passed.

The Treasurer's Report

Courtney read the Treasurer's report. The General Fund has \$184,018.15, the State Elder Grant has \$24,036.00 and the COA Donation Fund has \$4,562.27. A motion was made to accept by Bill and seconded by Pam. It passed.

The Director's Report

Courtney reported that the Summer at the Center was very good!

Courtney reviewed the discussion which took place in our June meeting regarding building usage. She reported that she then met with the Town Manager, Michael Boynton for further discussion, direction and approval. She stated that Michael advised that the building falls under the Town of Medway and its rules and statutes. Courtney reported that Michael also contacted Town Council who said that there was no reason to stop usage of the building or hosting of COA events (i.e. BBQ's, Breakfasts, etc). It was also stated that any plans for usage of the building must still be scheduled with the Director and any event that causes a disruption is not acceptable. If something or someone becomes a disruption they will be asked to leave. The building is a Public Building, therefore, open to the Public. Courtney also stated that the priority of the building usage is for the Seniors.

Courtney advised that she and Michael will be continuing to discuss the usage of the building and that any questions regarding this issue are to be brought to Courtney and she will speak with Michael.

Courtney announced that \$58,000 applied for and earmarked by Senator Spilka was just approved. This money will be used to purchase outdoor exercise equipment to hopefully be placed behind the building. There will be no bids needed as the company is already State approved. There will be more information to follow regarding this.

Courtney also reported that the new furniture had arrived.

Siri Krishna inquired about further progress on the Tribute Walk. Courtney stated that the only company to respond, of the four contacted, was Fasolino. She stated we are now looking toward Spring for further progress. Courtney will also reconnect with Fasolino to discuss starting the project.

A motion was made to accept by Siri Krishna and seconded by Vonnie. It passed.

Public Comment

Town Manager Boynton thanked the COA for all that we do for the Center and also gave updates on a few upcoming projects hopefully taking place in the Town.

Tim Pozsgai spoke regarding his role as Friend's Director and his desire to continue to work in cooperation with the Council on Aging.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vonnie and seconded by Pam. That motion passed and Mary Lou closed the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

The meeting of the Council On Aging is scheduled for October 11, 2022 at 2 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Charlene Tingley, Secretary