Council on Aging Meeting Oct. 11, 2019 at Avon Civic Center

Present: Gene Mazzella COA Director, Karen Johnson, Linda Chute, Deb Greene, Ed Selman, Jean Kopke, Nancy Puckett.

The meeting was called to order at 9:04. A motion was made to accept the findles of 9:06 the Sept. 20, 2019 meeting.

<u>Old Business:</u> Lunch menu selections. It was suggested there be more variety and that someone go over the menu with the kitchen.

<u>Bring your kids to work:</u> Nancy Puckett suggested the idea of the seniors inviting their adult children to come to the Council on Aging to see what the Council has to offer. Deb Greene suggested an open house format. The idea of a spaghetti dinner to encourage participation was also suggested. The seniors will be asked if this would be something of interest to them. This would also be an opportunity to entice younger people to join a Friends of the COA group.

<u>Election of Officers</u>: Jean Kopke made a motion to keep the board as it is until June 30, 2020. The Board will remain as it is with Karen Johnson — Chair, Deb Greene — Vice Chair, Linda Chute — Secretary, Jean Kopke as Treasurer. Gene will check on the responsibility of a Friends group and on tax id information.

<u>Healthy for Life Sessions:</u> another session is scheduled for Nov. 7th at 10:30. The night session will be rescheduled due to the parking lot construction.

<u>Fellowship Circle:</u> Gene met with the housing authority. They would welcome a presence at Fellowship. Louise Hardiman is planning on being available for 2 hours/month. Sherry, Louise and Gene will work out the logistics.

The Halloween party is planned for Oct. 31.

<u>COA Policies & Procedures:</u> Needs to be worked on. Karen will check the MCOA website. Gene will give a history of what we have in place now. The subcommittee will get suggestions to bring forward to the next meeting. Community Action Board members Ed and Nancy will meet soon.

Phones and van drivers: tabled to next meeting.

<u>Financial</u> – tabled to next meeting.

Ed asked if the clergy are involved in the COA programs. Father Tom and Pastor Rick have come to the Memorial program put on last year and have been extended multiple invites for other planned programs.

New Business: Food Agreement – needed in case of food handling. The Board signed their copies.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 10:50.

Respectfully submitted

Linda Chute

Secretary