

Council on Aging Zoom Meeting Oct. 2, 2020

Present: Karen Johnson Ch., Linda Chute, Jean Kopke, Deb Greene, Nancy Puckett, Ed Selman, Eric Beckerman, Selectman

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There were no meetings held in July, August or September.

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The Board welcomed Christine Quinn as the new COA Director. Christine will be starting on Monday, Oct. 5, 2020.

There was a question about the warrants. During Covid the warrants only require one signature. Karen has been signing the warrants and Tricia Pepe submits them to town hall.

Karen had asked for a copy of the Management Report from Erin the Assistant Accountant. It was not ready for this meeting, it will be sent when it is done. The COA should be receiving this report monthly, which it has not. Eric will revisit this again with Erin.

The COA has a \$300 Cultural Council Grant that needs to be spent by Dec. 31st 2020. Suggestions were made to purchase CD's, movies, trivia programs etc. for when the seniors return to the COA. Nov. 15th is the date for next years grants to be submitted to the Cultural Council.

Nancy asked about a meeting in person with Christine and the Board members to discuss ideas about moving forward. Ed suggested having a meeting outdoors or at the COA lunch room with social distance being observed.

The COA recently purchased 2 laptops thru the CARE grant for the seniors to use at the COA. Eric suggested providing some technical assistance to the seniors if they need it.

The Board has a number of ideas to bring up to Christine. These ideas have been on the back burner for a number of years and need to be put in place. Forming a Friends of the COA is first on the list along with inviting adult children of the seniors to lunch or dinner to see what their parents enjoy about the COA. This would be a great opportunity to promote what the COA has to offer.

Ed asked if there were any plans for a Thanksgiving "box dinner". This could be picked up or delivered to our seniors. A local restaurant has offered to help with any type of lunch. Another option would be to prepare the lunch at the COA kitchen.

Motion was made and seconded by Deb to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully submitted – Linda Chute, Secretary

Linda Chute 10/30/20