## Council on Aging Meeting October 6, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Present: Jane Carthas COA Director, Linda Chute, Deb Greene, Nancy Puckett, Ed Selman, guest - Phil Tortorella

The meeting was called to order at 10:00. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the Sept. 8. 2023 meeting.

<u>Old Business:</u> Electronic doors are working. A Volunteer Transportation program will be starting soon. Volunteers can drive seniors to appointments, shopping etc. Dementia Live Program will be on Thursday, Oct. 19th at 4 p.m. The van will be available for rides. Flower boxes—A volunteer has expressed interest in starting a garden club and that can be combined with the flower boxes that Home Depot will be donating.

<u>New Business:</u> There was an asbestos study performed at town hall and the COA. There is no danger to patrons. Van rides – are free, will revisit charging for van rides at the end of December. Veteran's Day Lunch on Wed. Nov. 8th will be for veterans only. Discussed having a catered lunch.

Replacing the carpet is out to bid. The COA sign is still out to bid. Thanksgiving dinner - Jane will check with Columbus Catering for prices.

Live Vac – an apparatus that prevents choking. Jane will check with the Fire Dept, possibly purchase one for the COA. The Police and Fire Dept. will visit with the seniors after lunch some time in November.

Jane will be attending the MCOA Conference in Danvers on Oct. 10-13th with the Holbrook COA Director. The Halloween Party is on Oct. 31st. Game Night was popular, and will consider having a later time slot maybe from 5:30-7:30. Restaurant of the month is Abington Ale House call Cathy for reservations. Coffee with the Veteran's Agent is Oct. 17 at 10:00.

<u>Meeting Schedule:</u> November 2nd at 6:00 p.m., Dec. 1st at 10:00, Jan. 5th at 10:00 Meeting was adjourned at 11:10. Respectfully submitted, Linda Chute

Linda Chute 11-2-23