

**COUNCIL ON AGING  
MEETING MINUTES  
MIDDLEFIELD SENIOR CENTER  
2024-03-20**

**Present:**

Chair Judith Hoag, Director: Suzanne C. Lemieux, Members: Sharon Barry, Charlene Gero, Patricia R. Jones, Marge Pierre, Guest: Curt Robie, Regrets: Treasurer Laurie Lafreniere, Noreen Suriner.

Meeting began at 1:00

**Minutes:** Motion was made and seconded to approve Feb-14-24 minutes as written. Motion passed.

**Town Budget:** Curt reported on the current events of the Town. Discussion ensued on the recent Increase in taxes, the Articles on the 4/13 Special Town Meeting. Curt is exploring every avenue to enable us to improve our building. The grant that we were hoping for has not come through but he has received a positive expression of interest on a one stop grant that he applied for. He will need an updated copy of the letter that Judy drafted for the last grant. Pickle Ball will be opened up on April 1.

**COA Budget:** Salaries have been voted on to keep the salaries level funded for the next fiscal year. Motion was made and seconded to raise the COA Expense Budget to 4,600 from 4,000. The Finance Committee recommended the increase. Motion passed. Judith abstained.

**Senior Center Events:** Curt feels that we should publicize our events more. He suggested other events to pursue such as contacting Jen Dion to come in and discuss Triad, have a Senior Open House and promote the Ride Share Program. The Board discussed having an Open House, The Dump Run Café and Pizza night. Will further discuss these events and others at the next meeting when more people are present.

Action items: A copy of the COA report will be edited and copied. Get rid of the event sign out front.

**Birds of Prey:** The attendance is limited to 75, so we will limit our publicity.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 2:15. Motion passed.

**Next Meeting:** 4/10/2024

Respectfully Submitted,  
Suzanne C. Lemieux