



TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
COUNCIL ON AGING
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July 10, 2024
Senior Center
Minutes

Members present: Chair Judith Hoag, Sharon Barry, Patricia Jones, Charlene Gero

Regrets: Noreen Suriner. Laura Lafreniere.

Guests: Ray Gero, Diane Thome, Wayne Main

The meeting was opened at 1:00

- **Minutes:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 5-08 & 6-26-2024. Motion approved. Discussed budget and minutes of 6-26. Judy' will be added to regrets on the 6-26 minutes.
- **Playground:** Brought people up to date about the wood chip story. Judy reported on the Playground Committee, She is attending to represent the COA. The three important topics of the meeting are location, finances and having an informational meeting for the residents
- **Home Care:** Highland Valley rep Kelly McCarthy has sent brochures after conversation with Judy about available home care. H.V. now has a community outreach worker who will come out to the Senior Center upon request.
- **Textile:** Discussion on what's happening with our textile box and the funds associated with it. Will email Line Henrickson and report back.
- **Transportation:** Hilltown Community Development has taken over the FRTA contract from Huntington. They changed the name to Hilltown Easy Ride and sent us updated applications and supplied the envelopes. They are in office from 8: am to 10am to take requests for rides.
- **Bread Making:** We had a great session with Marge Pierre who taught us how to make a simple recipe for white bread. We made these at the Senior Center. Results were delicious.
- **Appointments:** Marge Pierre has retired from the COA board after many years of service. She will be missed. Thank You Marge.
- **Dump Run Café:** Small turnout. Couldn't find the open sign. Need to replace the flagpole holder. Have heard that people are interested in coming. Will try again in September.
- **Church:** It was announced at the Selectboard meeting that services will start in several weeks at the Congregational Church. It will be held on a weekend evening and may continue monthly with Minister Susan Borsella.
- **Events:** Ray Gero will be hosting an info session about car inspections on the 4th Wednesday after lunch
- **MCOA:** Membership fees are due. Dues are at least \$240 per year. Need to look into how much we really need their services. Will report next time.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10.

Next meeting: 2024-August-14

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux