

**COUNCIL ON AGING
MEETING MINUTES
MIDDLEFIELD SENIOR CENTER
2023-04-05**

Present:

Chair Judith Hoag, Treasurer Laurie Lafreniere, Director: Suzanne C. Lemieux, Members: Sharon Barry, Charlene Gero, Patricia R. Jones, Marge Pierre Regrets: Noreen Suriner
Meeting began at 1:22

Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve March 08, 2023 minutes as written. Motion passed.

Computer: Char recommended an HP desktop that she recently bought for \$600. Char will send a picture. There is adequate funds in the state account. A motion was made and seconded to approve up to \$1,000 for purchase of computer and set-up costs. All were in favor, Motion approved.

Co-Chair: A motion was made and seconded to accept Char Gero as Co-Chair. All were in favor. Motion approved.

Grant: Curt Robie is writing up a grant application for the improvement of the senior center building, and has requested that a letter from the COA be included. Judy has written the letter, which has been approved by Curt, and the Board will sign and submit it.

Annual Town Election: Vote by mail will be available. Deadlines will be posted as soon as all the information is gathered.

Director Report:

Grants: Attended a zoom class on March 28 to apply for a grant that would pay for exercise instructors for several years. Forwarded information to Ann Daley, Chester COA Director, who has agreed to partner with Middlefield in pursuit of this grant.

Transportation: Gateway School buses are an option to transport our seniors to events. An application has to be filled out online. Costs are \$25 an hour for the school bus driver. Set dates for trips for next meeting. Judy will contact the Selectboard about putting FRTA on their agenda.

Donations: We received a donation to help us continue our birthday celebrations. The money will be put into the donation account.

Adjournment: A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 2:20. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne C. Lemieux