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COUNCIL ON AGING

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COUNCIL ON AGING - Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting – March 1, 2021 @ 2pm Senior Center

Present: COA Director, Mike Ellis, Chair Sandy Barton, Treasurer Terri Hillman, Secretary Kathy O'Brien, AARP President Patricia Jandris, Golden Age President Gloria Tarpey, **Associate Members:** Ron Darmetka, Paul Leone, Ken Fournier, Evelyn McCarthy, Cheryl Howes, Mary Schaffer. **Absent:** Vice-Chair Jeff Nelson, Audrey Faucher, Richard Girardin, Maurice Lizott,

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 2:01pm by Sandy Barton.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of 2/8/21 meeting reviewed. Motion to accept with noted corrections made by Kathy O'Brien, 2nd by Gloria Tarpey.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer submitted reports on Gift Acct., Revolving Acct., and Formula Grant Acct. thru 1/31/21 with an explanation by Treasurer regarding accounts. Moved to accept by Kathy O'Brien, 2nd by Ron Darmetka and placed on file.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Vaccine Status: Vaccine distribution going well. Changes may occur with distribution as Governor changing distribution amounts and some sites.
- b. Administrative Assistant position: Narrowed down to 2 candidates, position offered to 1.
- c. Board Vacancies: Vice-Chair, Jeff Nelson's resignation accepted.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Terri Hillman nominated Ronald Darmetka to become a regular member and to assume the position of Vice Chair of the Council on Aging Board subject to appointment by Mayor Nicholson and confirmation by the Gardner City Council. No seconds are required for nominations. There were no other nominations. Ronald accepted the nomination. Council members in agreement were S. Barton, K. O'Brien, T. Hillman, G. Tarpey, and P. Jandris. Outreach position filled by Paul Leone
- b. Soft openings with other programs happening soon with possible increase in classes sizes.

6. OPEN DISCUSSION:

Primary discussion was about crushed pipe under floor on ground level. Director brought up the idea of using the Gift Account monies to pay for. Many questioned the use of such funds.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, May 3, 2021 @ 2pm

8. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn made by Kathy O'Brien, 2nd by Terri Hillman.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy O'Brien, Secretary