Council on Aging Minutes for Virtual Meeting on September 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. Attendance was taken by calling the roll. Present: Susan Gomberg, Janis Gray, Susan Millinger, and Linda Avis Scott. Absent: JoAnn Bernhard and Melissa Makepeace-O'Neil.

Gray will take notes because Millinger, Secretary, temporarily cannot use her right hand to take notes.

Minutes of the Meeting of August 11, 2021: Agreed to table until next meeting.

Business

Financial Update:

As best Scott knows, Recent Expenses since last meeting are \$120 for Foot Care clients. Balance Believed Remaining from FY21 grant: \$2256.61.

Requests: MCOA dues \$230; Village Neighbors request for \$1000 or amount of our choice.

- 1. Gomberg moves we pay the \$230 for MCOA FY22 dues. Millinger seconds. Vote by roll call was unanimous to approve.
- Millinger moves we contribute \$500 as an annual contribution to Village Neighbors and reconsider whether to make an additional contribution when we receive the state grant for FY 22. Gomberg seconds the motion. Vote by roll call was unanimous to send \$500 now; we will evaluate this amount in the future as we see what our programming needs are going forward.

Survey: We agree to put off work on the survey until JoAnn Bernhard can rejoin us.

Our Town Fall submission: Scott will put something together.

Update on future meeting with Select Board: Millinger had written a brief letter to ask if the Select Board would hear at a meeting from Nour Elkhattaby Strauch (LifePath coordinator of the program) and Millinger about joining the Franklin County/North Quabbin Age-and Dementia- Friendly Community program.

Website: All present agreed to take a few minutes between now and our next meeting to look at the COA web page and make suggestions. In the interim, Gray could shorten the section about scam alerts and include information from LifePath about COVID vaccinations and related links.

Motion to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. was made, seconded and carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janis Gray