COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING

SENIOR CENTER

APRIL 1, 2024

The meeting began at 9:08 am.

Present: Bruce Lorentzen; Richard Wolf; Alison McElhone; Fran Goldstein (via speakerphone); David Goodman; Terry Castellano; Allison Lisbon

Minutes for March: approved.

Dial-a-Ride: Grant application submitted; handicap placard received; 176 rides logged in for March; it's unusual to have to turn down a ride request; discussion followed concerning traffic/difficulty at entrance/exit to parking lot.

Budget: no news; next step is ATBM.

Social Services/Senior Services: Hours are slightly increasing for part-time staff. Richard suggested that The Center should be asking for additions and upgrades. A lengthy discussion followed regarding a new facility vs. renovations and upgrades. Discussion to be continued next month.

Applications for Warm Up Fund are in process.

Newsletter: The Center may return to one every two months.

Luncheon options are expanding; additional programs and special events are being added. Pickle ball instruction is expanding.

The center is open 9-3, Monday through Friday.

Richard suggested that the Commission approach the Town to remove the BOE from oversight of the Senior Center building.

Friends: funding of:

Parkinson physical therapist will appeal to a broader audience. There will be lectures and clinics.

Open Discussion: There is still one opening on the COA.

Adjourned: 10:17 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Castellano