**Town of Boylston**

**Council on Aging**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018

**Location:** COA Office, 221 Main Street, Boylston, MA 01505

**Time:** 6:05pm

**Members Present:** Dennis Goguen, Chairperson**;** Warren Leach, Member; Ozzie Sauer, Member; Laura Susanin, COA Coordinator

**Absent:**; David Wheeler, Member

**Guests:** Janet Sargood, videographer

**Minutes Approval:** D.Goguen; second by W.Leach.

**Announcements:** Summer COA programs had very strong attendance – 44 people attended programs (258 total/duplicated visits). The Senior Citizens Society will begin their meetings on Monday, September 10th. MCOA Conference is Oct 24-26 – both Laura and Connie would like to attend workshops; pricing was reviewed and attendance encouraged. Laura and Connie will be handing out “COA Welcome Bags” to Boylston residents at SCS meetings, programs, senior lunch and Sunbanke. Bags include helpful information regarding local agencies, etc.

**Current Business:** COA staff and volunteer will get training on myseniorcenter.com scanner. COA Board member Mary Ann Whitney has resigned – posting was placed on town website for new board member. All current board members must be sworn in and complete the Conflict of Interest requirement – Laura will provide the information on this at the next board meeting. Board is updated on van usage and program participation. Exercise programs are paid through Formula Grant as well as myseniorcenter.com fee. Request by D.Goguen for MCOA fee to be moved from COA Expense Budget to the Formula grant. SCS is asking for increased funds to offset the cost of food at events. ESWA has asked for donation of $2228 – Laura to find out, per Dennis’ request, what the average number of people are who use senior lunch and MOWs. Cultural Council accepting grant applications. Laura to also speak with Bob Bourassa regarding Town House and if anything can be purchased to improve the temperature on hot days for participants of programs.

**Notices and Communications:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Upcoming meeting scheduled:** Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 6pm

**Adjournment:** 6:55pm