COMMISSION ON AGING DRAFT MINUTES SEPTEMBER 5, 2012 12:03 SELECTMAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM TOWN HALL

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Betsy McIlvaine, Chairman, at 12:03 pm.

PRESENT: Betsy McIlvaine, Carol Howe, Ellen Melville, Jeanette Holliday

FISH: Carol Howe will phone previous clients to let them know we will be driving Monday-Friday from 9:00-2:00.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Jeanette Holliday reported that the Back to School Backpacks Program was a huge success. It helped eighty-five children from forty-two Brookfield families. Beth Hollehan, Senior and Social Services Program Coordinator, will be assisting Jeanette to pre-screen the paper work of those seeking her services. This should expediate the application process. In addition she will try to get the WISH lists from families seeking assistance during the upcoming holiday season. Jeanette reported there has been a slight decrease in visits to the food pantry most likely due to vacations. The Lions Club of Brookfield will sponsor early reader books at the food pantry so families can take these home to their children. Two hundred applications have been filed for energy assistance.

SENIOR CENTER: September is National Senior Center Month. Peter Cronin will be helping seniors with Medicare Part D. Two new programs have been added. In the future programs will periodically be presented recognizing that banking scams, in particular, are on the increase. The Commission on Aging has tentatively scheduled two after hours programs on Sunday, October 14th and October 28th at the Senior Center from 2:00-4:00. Advertising will be forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS: Betsy McIlvaine will contact Howard Lasser informing him the Commission on Aging is in need of new members.

ADJOURNMENT: 1:15 pm.

Meeting notes submitted by Carol Howe