

Commission on Aging Brookfield, CT  
Regular monthly meeting May 4, 2016  
Betsy called the meeting to order at 12:02

Present – Kevin, Connie, Emily, Betsy, Carol, Ellen  
The minutes were accepted as presented with one change. June's COA meeting will be held at the Brookfield Village.

#### SENIOR CENTER/SOCIAL SERVICES

Ellen reported consideration is being given as to what technology programs will be offered at the Center. In the future TV announcements might be used to show the various activities at given times.. Hiking and walking programs have proved to be very popular. Gadgets & Things with the WCAAA will be presented May 10 at 11:00 AM. The Meals on Wheels program is currently under negotiation. The statewide program that provides energy assistance has been extended for another month due to the mild winter. Our food pantry recently passed inspection. Residents can visit the pantry on Thursday evenings by appointment only. Brookfield Lions Club will sponsor a Shred Day for all town residents from 9:00AM to 1:00PM at the Town Hall.

#### BROOKS QUARRY

New washers and dryers will be installed in the Community Room. Residents can purchase cards for ten dollars. Roadways at the Quarry have been dug up for sewers. Efforts are being made to bring the community together. There will be a barbecue and bingo night planned for May 16<sup>th</sup> with that goal in mind.

#### FISH

Betsy will do the June scheduling. A twenty-dollar donation from a client was given to Ellen who will apply that amount to help defray the cost of our telephone system.

#### RESOURCE GUIDE

We suggested a change in wording for living options to include affordable, independent housing for seniors and disabled individuals. To be included is the Stop and Shop home delivery program known as Pea Pod.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Commissioners felt the seminar on Aging at Home was very worthwhile. Another time we agreed the budget for future seminars will be set up and planned for from the beginning. Betsy will hold a meeting of area Commission on Aging chairman on Saturday, May 7 from 11:30 AM to 1PM to share ideas. Our next scheduled meeting is lunch at the Brookfield Village on June 1 at 12 noon. Meeting notes submitted by Carol Howe