**COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD**

Minutes for November 21, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Present: Chair Nancy Butler, Inez Murphy, Dottie Martel, Cindy Bloomquist, Geri Cellini.   
Friends of COA Present: Helen Reynolds, Cindy Bloomquist, Geri Cellini

Guests: Tally Carruthers, John Traynor, Brenda Traynor, Linda Norrie, Pat Leslie

Staff Present: Colleen Thompson, Jean Pacheco.

1. Opening: Chair Nancy Butler called the meeting to order at 10.35

2. Minutes: October Minutes were approved as written.

3. Reports:

A. COA reports by Jean Pacheco   
1. Food Pantry served: 43 people – 22 households.  
2. Warrants paid: September $980.28

B. Friends of COA reported $ 5,746.03.

C. OCES Reports -No report.

D. Director’s report Colleen Thompson

1. GATRA should be up and running by January, whereas dial I A-Ride will begin in July. Jim Mustacaros and Jackie Freitas will be available by appointment. Should any senior need a ride to town activities, please call the COA office.

2. Dec. 7th Christmas luncheon will be at 12:00 at the Upland Club. The club will provide a roast beef dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will entertain everyone.

3. The pie a’ la mode event was successful but not well attended.

4. Updates and Discussions –

A. Administrative assistant Jean Pacheco will be cutting back on her hours in January, 2023. She will keep regular hours on Tuesday and Thursday, and be available for special events or as needed.

B. Entertainment possibilities for 2023 were discussed: Feb. 3rd bird talk, March plant a flower day, May 31st clean up your room day (possibly a white elephant swap), August 9th summer cookout, an event for either Sept. or Oct., and Dec. 2023 holiday event with maybe the Halifax singers.

5. Next Board Meeting: There will be no December meeting. The next meeting will be January 9, 2023.

Adjournment 11:30 a.m.

Minutes were taken by Geri Cellini and transcribed by COA staff.