Commission on Aging
Thursday November 4, 2010

Present: Jo Golec, Hollie Cummings, Alice Sabo, Ron Brennan, Jim O’Brien, John Pagnani, Mary Ellen Klinck and Jovita Cozean.
Absent: Rosalie Hoffman (excused) and Joanne Rocznia.

Call to order: Chairman, Jim O’Brien called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M.

Secretary’s Report: A motion was made by Hollie Cummings and seconded by Ron Brennan to accept the report as read. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Jo Golec reported the balance of Fund 52 remains the same.

Correspondence: Received information from Pete Govert stating his schedule has changed and will be attending our December meeting. Peter also sent information regarding solar panels, which may be available to the Senior Center at no cost. These would save approximately $1600.00 per year in electricity costs. Jo Golec read a letter she had sent to the BOE regarding funding for adult education as there are 17 adults attending.

Old Business: Jim O’Brien met with the First Selectman, Mark Walter, to discuss some issues. Questions asked were: are we a Commission or a Committee and Ordinance Clarifications. These should be on the next BOS agenda for the next meeting and we should have answers by December’s meeting. Discussion was held regarding by-laws, rules and regulations. We will discuss these with Pete Govert, our liaison Selectman, at the December meeting. Jo Golec reported back on Groton Senior Center manual. They are in the process of writing a new manual for 2010, since they moved into their new renovated Center in February, which is beautiful. Jo Golec has the manuals that contain Standards and Operations. Jo will look through this information and report back to the committee.

New Business: Due to the absence of the Coordinator of Senior Services, Joanne Rocznia, the members reviewed the attendance statistics for the month of October. The seniors participated in activities 980 times for an average of 47 seniors per day. A suggestion was made to put on the activity form the number of days and the average under the total for the month.

Citizen’s Concerns: Jim O’Brien suggested having a possible round table discussion with the COA and the Officers of the Senior Club to help understand the functions and responsibilities. This will be discussed further at the December meeting.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn at 6:04 P.M. by Ron Brennan and seconded by Jo Golec. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jovita Cozean, Secretary