Milford Council on Aging Minutes for March 9, 2009

Members present: Lillian Holmes, Cynthia Deluca, Phil Caporusso,

Dick Dowin, Mike Petrucelli, Shirley Serrano,

Karen Craig and Terri Amann

Absent: Joyce Elwell

Also in attendance were Janice Jackson, and other staff members of the Senior Center, and Aldermanic Liaison, Judith Toohey.

Chair Lillian Holmes called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and entertained a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 9th meeting. The motion was seconded by Cynthia Deluca.

Lillian reported that Dick Dowin and Shirley Serrano and she attended the retirement luncheon for Irene Olsen on March 4th.

Lillian discussed that the US News and World Report named Milford as one of the top ten communities for single seniors to retire. The newspaper articles from the Connecticut Post and the New Haven Register were also mentioned. Lillian on behalf of the board thanked the staff for their hard work.

Correspondence:

Lillian reported the receipt of a thank you letter from the Good Shepard Day Care for donations of baby formula and baby food from the food bank. Lillian also reported two letters from the Health Department. One was pertaining to the flu shots the other was in reference to the POD (point of dispensing) exercise that is scheduled to take place at the Senior Center on May 19th.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Mike Petrucelli gave his report. Lillian called for any questions from the board for Mike or the bookkeeper pertinent to the budget. Having heard none, she asked for a motion to refer the treasurer's report to the Finance Committee which was so offered and seconded.

Committee Reports:

Personnel Committee: Chairman Cynthia DeLuca stated that there was no meeting.

Finance Committee:

Chairman Shirely Serrano reported that there was no meeting.

Old Business:

Janice spoke with the Mayor regarding the landscaping and was informed that the construction contract includes leaving the area the way they found it. The Mayor also stated that the water damaged carpet would be replaced with tile.

Executive Director's Report:

Janice discussed the estimates from the Business Network Group and Humanitects conversion of the old website to a new website. After much discussion concerning websites and updating computers, the board members decided that a small committee would help Janice gather information. Mike made a motion to form a committee. The motion was seconded and passed. The committee members will include Terry Amann, Karen Craig and Phil Caporusso. They will present their findings at the next Board Meeting.

New Business: None

Phil Caporusso discussed the issue of raising membership to \$10.00 a year. There was also a discussion concerning opening membership to seniors who do not live in Milford. Mary Stienmetz brought to the board's attention that was something we had tried to do several times but the board had voted it down. Shirley Serrano discussed that new members may need to provide proof of residence or a utility bill. Lillian requested that this issue be tabled until the next board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Geri Dichkewich Secretary Pro Tem