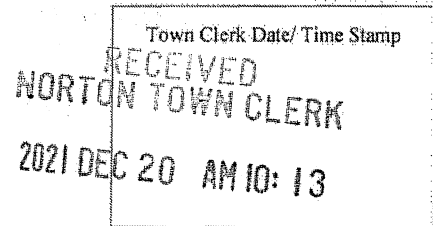


# MINUTES

## TOWN OF NORTON



**Board/ Committee:** COUNCIL ON AGING

**Meeting Date:** NOVEMBER 12, 2020 **Time:** 3:30PM

**Meeting Location:** ZOOM MEETING

**Members Present:** MaryAnn Dempsey, Kathy Eno, Judy Leroux, Natalie Lima, Carol McLaughlin, Sharyn Stedman, Paul Wanamaker, Pat Zwicker

The meeting was called to order at 3:42PM and adjourned at 4:27PM.

**SECRETARY REPORT:** October report was not available at meeting time. Will be reviewed at the December meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** October report accepted – Natalie made motion to approve, Pat seconded, voted - all in favor to accept.

### SENIOR CENTER UPDATE

Bob Briscoe gave an update on the Permanent Building Committee meeting and the status of the purchase of land for the Senior Center and Town Hall. Town Manager has reached out to Realtor regarding Purchase and Sale and is waiting for a response. A schedule has been proposed for DBVW, the engineering firm that will be putting together plans and cost for the Senior Center. Kick off meeting to be held on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion ensued regarding the needed square footage for the Senior Center. The size decided on previously was significantly smaller than the size recommended by the Office of Elder Affairs. Original plans may be outdated due to needs brought about by COVID-19.

### DIRECTORS UPDATE

- *Covid-19 Update* – Knitting was planned to be held at the Trinitarian Church but fell through due to increase in Covid-19 cases
- *Grab and Go Meals* – Schools are no longer offering take home meals, as a result the senior center has seen a twofold increase in those signing up for these meals
- *Other Food Resources* – Receiving soup donations, donations of meats
- *Freezer* – purchased with money received from Department of Transitional Assistance (SNAP)
- *Thanksgiving meals* – Beth has been working to provide meals and dinners for those in need
- *Outdoor Activities* – no longer being held due to change of weather
- *Online programming* – Kelly is still offering exercise classes via Zoom, there will be a Facebook live painting class
- *Medicare* – Appointments are filling up
- *Outreach* – Kathy Varnum has been approved for 8 additional hours
- *Patio* – has been completed. Thank you to Bob Salvo. Picnic table and umbrella purchased. Weather permitting, meetings will be held outside.

Minutes Approved by Committee on: 12/10/20

Chairman Signature: 