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Board / Committee: **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Meeting Date: July 13, 2023

Time: 3:30PM

Meeting Location: Norton Senior Center

Members & Staff Present: Ruth Schneider, Carol Kollett, Tom Golota, Ellen Martins, Pat Zwicker, Maryann Dempsey, Carol McLaughlin, Joan DeCosta, Mike Sweeney

Secretary's Report: Motion made by Joan, seconded by Ellen to accept the June minutes. Unanimous vote to approve.

Treasurer's Report: Question raised as to the amount of the Verizon bill. The amount of \$1268.36 should have been \$197.98. Motion made by Pat, seconded by Tom to accept the change of the amount. Motion made by Pat, seconded by Joan to accept the report as changed. Unanimous vote to approve.

Old Business: Father's Day Lunch and Pride Lunch went very well. Ruth thanked all those who worked these events.

New Business: The next meeting is scheduled for August 10. Several Board members will be attending a trip on that day. Motion made by Joan, seconded by Tom to change date of meeting to August 17. Unanimous vote to accept. Ruth asked the members if everyone had received the new Town Code of Conduct draft, and read it.

Friends of the Norton Senior Center: Bill Byrnes reported that the Goat City Pub fundraiser was a great success. They made \$2564, and Bill thanked everyone who donated to the raffles, and took the time to go and support the event. There will be a trip to Mohegan Sun on Wednesday, November 8. There will also be a trip to the Boston Pops on December 7. Leave at 1:45pm and the show is at 3:00pm.

Permanent Building Committee: Bob Briscoe reported that there is nothing new to report at this time, but project is on schedule.

Director's Report. Beth reported that the Human Services clients have been increasing in the area of housing. She is presently working with Chris at Board of

Health on many issues. The Center has been very busy, and the Lunch & Learns, coordinated by Carol Betty, have had increased attendance.

We have had interns from Mass Elder Affairs doing research on our senior population in town, and the services we offer at the Center. They are focusing on outreach to those who do not come to the Center. Their data shows a lot of people in Town live alone and do not use our services. They are going to send out surveys to find out why not, what types of things they would like to come to. Wrap up will be a cookout at the VFW. Volunteers will be needed to help stuff the envelopes for the mailings on July 20 at 3pm.

Beth has upgraded the Center's brochures. Bristol Elder Services completed their audit, and it went very well. The grant will be extended.

Ruth asked for volunteers to work the front desk while Sosie is out.

Tues – July 18	AM	Maryann	PM	Jean Briscoe
Fri - July 21	AM	Kathy	PM	Mary
Thur Aug 3	AM	Ruth	PM	Pat
Fri Aug 11	AM	Kath6y	PM	Mary

Motion to adjourn by Ellen, seconded by Kathy. Unanimous vote to approve. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Patricia A Zurchi

Minutes approved by the Board or Committee on: 8/17/23

Chairman Signature: Ruth Schneider