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Board / Committee: **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Meeting Date: September 14, 2023

Time: 3:30PM

Meeting Location: Norton Senior Center

Members & Staff Present: Ruth Schneider, Carol Kollett, Kathy Eno, Ellen Martins, Pat Zwicker, Maryann Dempsey, Mike Sweeney, Lori Dombrowski, Judy Leroux

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

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Pat, seconded by Maryann to accept the report.

Unanimous vote to approve.

Old Business: Ruth reported that the BBQ at the VFW went very well. She thanked everyone who worked the event. The Select Board will be invited to attend the COA Board meeting on November 9th at 5:30pm. Secretary will send an invitation to the Select Board. Volunteer Dinner will be held on October 19th at 4:00pm. Further details to follow.

New Business: Vera Jordan, an alternate, has resigned as of August 29th. Lori Dombrowski has agreed to become the alternate member. Beth and Sosie will be attending a conference October 11, 12 & 13. Ruth has asked Board members to sign up to work those dates to cover the front desk. Ruth reported that we really need a program person to help Beth. Beth has requested additional positions on the October Town Warrant.

Friends of the Norton Senior Center: Bill Byrnes reported that the Friends Fundraising committee is working hard to raise money for the new Center. He said it has not been easy so far. There will a trip to Encore Casino on November 8th. The Friends Halloween party will be held on October 30th.

Permanent Building Committee: Bob Briscoe had nothing new to report, but the construction is going well.

Director's Report. Beth reported that the Center is very busy. The Drums Alive program is being held for 5 evenings, starting September 19th. Carol Betty's Caregiver Support group has really grown and is very successful. Human Services is also very busy. Medicare open enrollment will begin October 15th to December 7th. Fuel assistance applications have already started as well. Thanksgiving baskets will be given out again this year. The Center will team with the C21 Foundation for Christmas gifts this year. Beth and Cathy Varnum will present a program October 4th on Medicare.

Motion to adjourn by Ellen, seconded by Maryann. Unanimous vote to approve. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Patricia A Zwerster

Minutes approved by the Board or Committee on: 10/12/23

Chairman Signature: Ruth Schneider