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The Council on Aging meeting held on June 16, 2011 was called to order at 3:54 pm.

Those in attendance were June Chamblard, Elaine Gelfond, Judy Leroux, Natalie Lima, Joan DaCosta, Ruth Schneider and Guy Wheeler. Joan Cote was absent. Betty Fogarty and Yolanda Lague did attend the meeting, however, not from the beginning.

The Secretary Report was read, voted and accepted.
Old Business:

The status of the painting of the building was discussed again. Joan said it was supposed to be done in June but has not been started yet and she will check on it.

The status of the septic tank was brought up and Joan said Keith is still coming. She asked if we found out where the cover was.

Joan said yes and that they will probably need to jack hammer to get to the cover and she would check on that also.

Joan reported that the center had been sprayed because of ants.

It was reported there were some lights out and Dennis tried to replace them but they still did not work and it was determined it was because the ballast needs replacing.

Joan talked to someone in the Town Hall to see if the town electrician could fix this but she was told we would have to pay the town electrician to do this. Also she was told the payment should come

out of the grant. Because the Town owns the building it was thought the Town should maintain it. Ultimately a ballast will be ~~perch~~ purchased and Ruth's friend George will install it for us.

The cookout will be held on July 13 that is a Mon. We will cook outside but serve and eat inside. The council members should arrive at 11 AM to get things set up. So far 24 people have signed up to attend. They will be asked to pay on that day. Joan will purchase the hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls for both, condiments and chips. They said we have plates and napkins and some condiments in the refrigerator. Shy, Natalie, Joan and Ruth will cook. June will make 10 pounds of potato salad, Natalie a green salad with pasta, Yolanda a pasta salad, Elaine will send a dip to go with the chips, Betty will make beans and get a watermelon. Judy and Ruth will do a dessert. ~~It~~ It was asked if there was a sale on beverage for any one to pick up some.

The matter of a daycare providing us with a lunch or breakfast was discussed but as Betty was not at the meeting at this time the subject was dropped.

It was also discussed that Epoch was interested in helping us by putting up flyers, distributing newsletters, help get speakers, maybe doing a joint program.

Joan asked Natalie about a Playhouse in Foxboro which Natalie was going to contact ^{about} ~~for~~ performances. Natalie said there is nothing there right now but she would see what would be there in the fall. She mentioned that there may be a performance of The Christmas Carol and it was thought that would be good.

Because Christmas was brought up it was thought we could have a celebration of our own for the seniors and a discussion ensued. We could have it here at the center or possibly at the VFW and have music by a J-T ~~band~~ but we would need to check on the cost of this first. No decision was actually made regarding this.

Coverage for the center was discussed. Betty will cover on Monday mornings, Alice Janelle Monday afternoons, Leona Norman Wednesday morning and Ruth Wednesday afternoon, June Friday morning and Judy Friday afternoon. The calendar for June and July are all set.

Ruth read the Treasurer's Report in Betty's absence noting the balance of \$1005.49. It was voted to accept the report as presented.

We have a P.O. Box and the number is 552. Joan brought up the fact that Joan Cote still has not sent her letter of resignation. She has been asked twice to do this. Ruth made a motion to have Joan ^{as Pres.} draft a

letter ^{from us} saying that we have a ^{someone} ~~member~~ waiting to be put on the Board and would she please be willing to sign this paper. Joan said she hasn't resigned but she is not officially on the committee since she hasn't been sworn in. Jane said some of them were supposed to contact Michelle to let her know they did still want to be on the council. Guy said when Michelle heard from everyone, then they would be sworn in. A motion was made and seconded for this to happen. Joan is going to check on the Council seats.

New Business:

Elaine asked a question about what the food was going to be for the Wheel & Sea trip as she cannot have fish. Joan said that right now it has not been decided on and that we are still looking at options but did tell Elaine that the food would not be fish.

Ruth thanked everyone for their help with the float. All had a good time.

Joan said she had called Carol of Friends of Norton Seniors about their Trip on June 23rd to tell her she had found out the people can park behind the building which is behind the Senior Center. There is a large lot there.

It was mentioned that a Thank you letter should be sent to Lopez for use of their flatbed truck.

June said a man told her we should leave some of our schedules at the library and it was noted it was already being done.

It was also discussed that the newsletter needs to get done earlier than it has been. Yolanda mentioned that "Publisher" needs to be purchased. June asked if she could proof-read the newsletter before it was printed and it was decided she should. The September newsletter needs to be ready by July 20th.

Natalie will call the theater to see what will be playing.

A lady wants to demonstrate Avon products. The Homestead Act will be on the schedule in September.

In September a Wheaton college student will volunteer here on Fridays all day.

Joan asked about having a raffle to win money. Perhaps sell the tickets for \$10 apiece. Natalie asked about having a bus trip in October to Wright's Farm. An apple orchard visit was mentioned to follow Wright's Farm. ^{there was} A considerable discussion about ^{how to make money} a craft fair.

Many things were discussed but nothing seemed right. June mentioned a craft fair and this was discussed. It was suggested Yolanda be Chairperson for this. Tables would be charged for, reg. size \$25 and large \$40. We will ask VFW about using their back room. The date of Oct 1st was decided on. It was mentioned the Lions Club had

a palm reader at their function. It was suggested to advertise for crafters in the newspaper. Ruth said she had a problem and said that Bob Salvo, who made the signs for the float said the cost was \$125. Originally a prize was not given. It was decided to give him \$60, a motion was made and voted.

It was suggested to put both the corner and newspaper picture of the float on the bulletin board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm. The next meeting will be July 14th at 3 pm.

Respectfully submitted

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Recording Secretary