



# MINUTES TOWN OF NORTON

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Board/ Committee: Council of Aging

Meeting Date: January 11, 2018

Time: 3:34 PM

Meeting Location: 55 West Main St.

Members & Staff Present: Beth Rossi, Judy Leroux, Joan DeCosta, Natalie Lima, Pat Zwicker, Kathy Eno, Carol McLaughlin, Tom Burke, Robyn Lovering, Sharyn Stedman.

Bob & Jean Briscoe, Debbie Leary, Bill Byrnes, Janice Norton

The meeting was called to order at 3:34 PM and adjourned at  
4:50 PM

Minutes from the 12/14/2017 Meeting were reviewed & Approved as written.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT:

*Approved by Joan and seconded by Judy*

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

	October 2017	November 2017
General Fund:	\$10,221.70	\$9328.07
Formula Grant:	-\$8552.45	-\$12,113.41
Gift Account: Income	\$186.11	\$124.27
Balance	\$ 2885.97	\$2910.03
Revolving Account: Income	\$606.00	\$938.00
Balance	\$4563.64	\$5038.36

*Approved by Judy and seconded by Joan*

## NEW BUSINESS:

*Maureen Sczynski R.N. N.P. P.H.D. shared her expertise in promoting " The Culture of Health" in the Norton Community. She suggested numerous sponsors such as college students, V.N.A., stores, A.A.R.P. , librarians, E.M.Ts, dietitians, religious and grants as a source of providing quality care for our needy. Thank you, Maureen*  
*The Senior Widower's Support Group [formally, The Men's Home Alone Group ] has 6 attendees at this point. We encourage new members who may benefit from some helpful conversation.*

*Due to the recent theft at the Center, we have investigated purchasing a 4 camera monitoring system for visual surveillance. The buzzer on the existing doors will also be activated to announce any recent arrivals.*

*We also discussed installing a silent emergency button for the desk greeter or responsible volunteer to use when there is a need to summon the police. It is very uncomfortable for Beth to remain in the building alone and after dark. Lighting and isolation in the back parking lot is also an issue. A recent altercation at the Center has sparked the need for an updated class on the appropriate de-escalation of an agitated individual. That offending person has received an appropriate reprimand.*

*Approved by Joan and seconded by Natalie.*

*Fact Finding Committee:*

*The Town Manager has informed us that there will probably not be a February Town Meeting. Mike is still working on a feasibility study. Different properties are being reviewed for a new Center .*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*A committee to preplan the upcoming Valentine Party 2/14/2018 has been assembled. The St. Patrick's Day Party is also in the planning stages for 3/16/2018.*

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

*We have been awarded less Grant Money for next year.  
Application for Fuel Assistance is ongoing. Scheduling for Tax Appointments has started.  
There is a greater need for dealing with our Seniors suffering from dementia in a home situation. We are interested in any ideas or help that might ease the situation.*

*Next Meeting: 2/8/2018*

Minutes respectfully  
submitted by:

Carol McLaughlin

Minutes Approved by Committee

Chairman Signature:

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