

# Wayland Council on Aging

## MINUTES

MARCH 6, 2018

8:00AM

SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM

<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Bill Sterling, Vice Chair
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Mary Antes, Secretary
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	COA Board Members Present: Mary Antes, Evelyn Ekmejian, Carol Glick (8:10), Nancy Leifer, Becky Patterson, Bill Sterling, Denise Yurkofsky COA Board Members Absent: Ellen Scult, Betsy Soule <u>Director:</u> Julie Secord <u>Guest:</u> Jean Millburn
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	<p>Vice chair Bill Sterling called the meeting to order at 8:05 and called for public comment. Jean Milburn came before the council to talk about public outreach for the proposed Community Center. Bill Sterling, Mark Foreman, and Pam Roman were interviewed on The Buzz. Jean has set up a Facebook page, Friends of the Wayland Community Center and has purchased some 'boosts,' a tool that pushes out information to the groups demographics. The Friends have agreed to spend \$3,000 for two mailings, one town-wide and one to known Town Meeting(TM) attendees. Jean encouraged members to send messages to their friends to vote for the project; Jean will email a fact sheet members can use to inform their friends. She and others will use a text messaging system at TM to notify residents when it is time to come to the Field House to vote. Jean is concerned that some residents will only vote for the community center is the library fails to pass.</p> <p>There was a brief discussion of how the COA could participate without overstepping its bounds. It was agreed that there could be a display of the exterior, floor plan, and an overlay and perhaps a "What's Your Vision" banner with sticky notes for individual ideas. Such a display should be in the Recreation Department as well. Cherry and Wendy Levine are working on conservation issues. Other issues mentioned include outreach to the Wayland Dads group, the AUL, making the facility energy efficient, and emphasizing access to the river. Jean will have a community center table at the last Farmers' Market at Russell's. It was suggested that people lobby at the transfer station.</p>

## Agenda Topics: Meeting Convened at 8:05am

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BOARD

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The minutes of February 6, 2018 were reviewed.
<b>ACTION</b>	The minutes of February 6, 2018 were approved unanimously (Yurkofsky/Patterson).

### COA/CC UPDATE

BILL STERLING

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	He Community Center discussion continued. Bill will make a presentation to the Planning Board on Wednesday. The committee has met with the Economic Development Committee and the Permanent Municipal Building Committee, which gave them permission to complete the contract with Kaffe Kang. The Finance Committee retracted their unanimous vote to support the project: they have not met to approve two additional pieces of information.
<b>ACTION</b>	

### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

JULIE SECORD

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><i>Tax Relief:</i> Changing the Circuit Breaker (CB) Match filing deadline continues to be difficult. The Assessors sent a letter to last year's Circuit Breaker users but have done no other education, including putting something in the tax inset. Fortunately the COA did put information about the change of due date. There has been a great response to the AARP Tax Preparation program.</p> <p><i>Frozen Pipe:</i> Office furniture displaced due to the burst pipe has complicated the use of some spaces by the COA.</p> <p><i>Programs:</i> Two new programs are being introduced: the Mindfulness Stress Management program has gone to weight-list. Zentangle is a highly recommended meditative art program. The second annual</p>
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	Swing into Spring dance will be held in the Large Hearing Room on Sunday, March 25 <sup>th</sup> . The five week summer concert series is almost set.  The EOE grant for 20117-18 has still not been received. Senator Ross and Representative Gentile have inserted a line item in the state budget requesting the appropriation of \$400,000 for the design of the Community Center. They will contact Representative Peisch about adding her support.
<b>ACTION</b>	

#### **BAYPATH ELDER SERVICES**

CAROL GLICK AND EVELYN EKMAJIAN

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Carol distributed the Board Meeting Highlights. The congregate kitchen in Northborough is almost completed. Because of the size, they are seeking more contracts.
<b>ACTION</b>	

#### **FRIENDS OF THE COA**

NANCY LEIFER

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Nancy reported that the Friends are discussing a new fundraiser. They have committed funds to support the community center education campaign.
<b>ACTION</b>	

#### **SENIOR TAX RELIF COMMITTEE**

JULIE SECORD

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The February meeting was cancelled; the next meeting will be in April.
<b>ACTION</b>	

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 8 am.
<b>ACTION</b>	It was moved, seconded, and voted to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:09.

Materials handed out at the meeting:

- Agenda
- February 6 Minutes
- BayPath Board Highlights
- Slide 11 from FC Presentation