

Wayland Council on Aging

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

8:00AM

SENIOR CENTER

FACILITATOR	Betsy Soule, Chair
NOTE TAKER	Mary Antes, Secretary
ATTENDEES	COA Board Members Present: Mary Antes, Evelyn Ekmejian, Carol Glick (8:20), Nancy Leifer, Becky Patterson, Ellen Scult, Betsy Soule, Bill Sterling, Julie Secord COA Board Members Absent: Denise Yurkofsky <u>Guest:</u>
PUBLIC COMMENT	

Agenda Topics: Meeting Convened at 8:08am

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BOARD

DISCUSSION	Betsy Soule called the meeting to order at 8:08. The minutes of October 2 nd were reviewed.
ACTION	It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of October 2 nd (Sterling/Patterson).

UPDATE ON COA/CC

BILL STERLING

DISCUSSION	Bill reported that the town administrator will release the RFP requesting space for a community center facility the second or third week of November. Responses are due 30 days later, very close to the holidays, which could impact the number of applicants. This is a very tight schedule to get the information needed for Town Meeting article submission by January 15 th . There was a suggestion that someone reach out to make potential respondents aware that the RFP is coming. Bill thought Zurich, 20Wayland, the owner of the Mahoney property, the owner of the former Whole Foods property, and possibly Russell's Garden Center might be interested.
ACTION	

BAYPATH ELDER SERVICES

EVELYN EKMAJIAN

DISCUSSION	Evelyn thanked Julie for including the BayPath Highlights in the board packet. She said the financial person is working out well; he works on-site one day a week. Christine Alessandro is leaving BayPath in June of 2020. She will be hard to replace. The Meals on Wheels vendor is now preparing Chinese food, which is more expensive.
ACTION	

FRIENDS OF THE COA

NANCY LEIFER

DISCUSSION	Nancy said that the Friends will meet on Wednesday. The plans for the fundraiser are moving ahead. The date is February 8 th (snow date February 9 th) at Russell's Garden Center and the theme is "Growing a Community." The Daddios will play.
ACTION	

SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	The committee will meet on Wednesday, November 13 th at 9:30am. The goal is to establish priorities. The Valor Act has seven or eight people working now.
ACTION	

DIRECTORS REPORT

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	<i>FY 2021 Operating Budget:</i> Each town department is asked to identify goals for the coming year. The board will discuss goals beginning in December and continuing over the next 12 months. Likely goals include the livable Wayland initiative and expanded transportation. The budget includes a request for
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	<p>\$1,500 for the Assisted Rides software. At the budget meeting, Louise said that the tax work-off program may need to operate more like the Valor Program.</p> <p><i>Other:</i> The schedule for Medicare Open Enrollment is full. Town printers and copiers are all being replaced in November, which is bad timing for Medicare enrollment. Food is disappearing from the senior center kitchen so the staff is considering requesting a key pad lock.</p> <p><i>Transportation:</i> Julie received the lease for a newer 16-passenger van. She is concerned because the mileage is high and it appears that the town will be responsible for repairs. DPW does not repair town vehicles. She is wondering whether a 12-passenger and a 5-passenger van might serve the center better.</p>
ACTION	It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve and submit the proposed budget for FY 2021 (Sterling/Patterson).

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION	The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 10 th .
ACTION	The meeting was adjourned at 8:57.

Materials handed out at the meeting:

Agenda

Minutes of October 2

BayPath Board Meeting Highlights dated October 23, 2019