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NAME OF BOARD/COMM: WAYLAND COUNCIL ON AGING

FILED BY: Julie Secord, Director

DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday, March 7, 2017

TIME OF MEETING: 8:00am

PLACE OF MEETING: Wayland Town Building

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# AGENDA

Please note: Agenda items may not be discussed in the order listed or at times identified. Times are approximate.

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- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT (8:00am)
- 2. Review minutes from the February 7, 2017 Meeting (8:00am)
- 3. BAYPATH ELDER SERVICES Report Carol Glick (8:05am)
- 4. SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE Report (8:10am)
- 5. GUEST: GORDON CLIFF, Finance Committee's liaison to Council On Aging, (8:15am) A discussion opportunity with COA's FinCom liaison to better understand COA's continual uphill challenge to acquire increased program and service space. The older adult population is currently ~ 27% of Wayland's total population. With the ongoing development of condos, apartments and assisted livings, the senior population will continue to increase.
- 6. FRIENDS OF THE WAYLAND COUNCIL ON AGING (8:40am)
- 7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (8:45am)
  - a) Interdepartmental Collaboratives

Way - SECURE, Hoarding Task Force, etc

- b) Program Overview
- c) Risk Management Concerns
- d) Announcements: Election, Town Meeting, etc.
- 8. Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting. (8:55am)
- 9. Establish date and time of next meeting. (9:00am)
- 10. Motion to Adjourn (9:05am)

# Wayland Council on Aging

**MINUTES** 

FEBRUARY 7, 2017

8:00AM

2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM

FACILITATOR	Betsy Soule, Chair
NOTE TAKER	Mary Antes, Secretary
ATTENDEES	COA Board Members Present: Mary Antes, Evelyn Ekmejian, Carol Glick, Nancy Leifer, Becky Patterson, Ellen Scult, Betsy Soule, Denise Yurkofsky COA Board Members Absent: Bill Sterling Director: Julie Secord Guests: Cherry Karlson, Dana Aaron
PUBLIC COMMENT	

Agenda Topics: Meeting Convened at 8:08am

MINUTES BOARD

DISCUSSION	The minutes of January 3, 2017 were reviewed. The November 7, 2016 minutes were reviewed and corrected; the note taker was changed to Ellen Scult.	
ACTION	The minutes of January 3, 2017 were approved unanimously (Leifer/Patterson). The minutes of November 7, 2016 were approved as corrected (Leifer/Patterson).	

### TOWN MEETING ARTICLE RE. ALTERNATIVE USES OF LIBRARY BUILDING

BOARD

	ALTERNATIVE USES OF LIBRARY BUILDING
DISCUSSION	Selectman Cherry Karlson said there are issues related to the current library building that she thought should be resolved before exploring the building's reuse. The first is a legal issue. One of the deeds to the property specifies its use as a library. To resolve this issue will require a declaratory judgment by a court. If the land must be used for library purposes, the question is how. The second issue is the future use of the building. She said the Selectmen would like the COA to withdraw the article until there is an answer to the first question. However, she encouraged the COA board to continue to advocate for space.  Cherry reiterated that 20 Wayland must give the town the municipal parcel but there is no timeline.  Discussion of the article continued later in the meeting. Denise noted that submitting the article has kept visible the COA's need for space but the board needs to keep the pressure on.
ACTION	It was moved, seconded, and voted to withdraw Article U from the Town Meeting warrant for the time being until we understand the legal issues raised by the will of one of the donors of the land on which the library sits and until the library receives a state grant or is placed on the waiting list for a future grant (Scult/Leifer).

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT: BARNRAISING FOR SENIORS

DANA AARON

DISCUSSION	Dana Aaron introduced himself and described his background. He has changed his Barn Raising program from one that assists people to find jobs into one that helps people plan their retirement. He would like to pilot the program at the COA. The program consists of activities and presentations that help participants support one another as they develop their own retirement plans. The session could be held in the evening or on a weekend, and would be limited to 24 people. Participants will end the session with a list of suggested actions but there would be no promotion or sales. Julie suggested that Wayland and Weston collaborate on the pilot. She thought the program might attract younger seniors.
ACTION	The consensus was to go ahead with the pilot program.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT: WALKING TRAILS AT DUDLEY WOODS

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	Julie pointed out the email and map showing the proposed trails at Dudley Woods and asked for input.
ACTION	Based on the discussion, Julie will recommend to the Recreation Department the addition of benches along the path and, if possible, fitness stations.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT: INTERDEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION**

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	The Police Department approached Julie with a plan to initiate a Silver Alert program to locate wandering seniors typically due to Alzheimer's. Julie has been in conversations with the Fire Chief about the elderat-risk program. Now the three departments are working on a coordinated residents-at-risk program that the COA help facilitate. Residents would have to register for the program and the information provided would go only to first responders.	
ACTION		

### **BAYPATH ELDER SERVICES REPORT**

**CAROL GLICK** 

DISCUSSION	Carol will email the minutes from the last meeting. The Baypath budget is better than anticipated.
ACTION	

### **SENIOR TAX RELIEF**

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	Julie reported that the tax cards have been approved by the assessors and are going to print.
ACTION	

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

**NANCY LEIFER** 

DISCUSSION	Nancy suggested that the Friends can do something to publicize the COA's space needs. She also said that the Friends are considering a different fundraiser after having the Lobsterfest for a number of years.	
ACTION		

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

JULIE SECORD

	NEWSLETTER/OTHER	
DISCUSSION	Problems with the newsletter continue. The publisher's intere businesses seeking ads makes Julie uncomfortable. It would a contract is a five-year rolling contract that requires a one year whether the newsletter could be printed in-house without adv. Post Office can take 1½ weeks to deliver the newsletters, whithe first of the month.  The proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the COA directions are continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the coal direction is a continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the coal direction is a continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the coal direction is a continued in the proposed revolving account article states that the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direction is a continued in the coal direction in the coal direc	also like to print the ads in color. The notice to leave. The board wondered ertisements. Another problem is that the ch means they are sometimes received after
	expenditures. This could delay payment of bills.	ector and the board most approve
ACTION	Denise knows a civic-minded printer that she will talk with about look into in-house publication.	out printing the newsletter. Julie will also
	It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted to authorize for all programs without further authorization and to report to	

### **ADJOURNMENT**

DISCUSSION	The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 8 am. Gordon Cliff will be invited to attend.	
ACTION	The meeting was adjourned at 9:31.	

Materials handed out at the meeting:

Agenda

January 3, 2017 and November 7, 2016 Minutes
Copy of Proposed TM Article to Appropriate Funds for a Feasibility
Study of Alternative Use of Town Library Building

Barnraising for Seniors Proposal Flyer and Related Materials

Email re: Trail Design for Dudley Woods and Layout

### MASSACHUSETTS HOME CARE PROGRAM VOLUNTARY CO-PAYMENT AND COST SHARING SCHEDULES

Issue Date: 3/11/16 Effective Date: 4/1/16

### **VOLUNTARY CO-PAYMENT:**

Family size	<b>Annual Gross Income</b>	Voluntary Monthly Co-Payment
1	\$11,881 or less	\$10.00
2	\$16,021 or less	\$18.00

### **COST SHARING FOR HOME CARE:**

One Person	.72	Monthly	Two Person Family			Monthly	
Annual Gross Income		Co-payment	Annual Gross Income		<u>1e</u>	Co-payment	
\$11,882 -	\$14,493	\$10.00	\$16,022	- 115	\$19,974	\$18.00	
\$14,494 -	\$17,100	\$13.00	\$19,975	•	\$24,008	\$23.00	
\$17,101 -	\$18,887	\$27.00	\$24,009	-	\$26,040	\$52.00	
\$18,888 -	\$20,238	\$39.00	\$26,041	-	\$28,066	\$78.00	
\$20,239 -	\$21,588	\$49.00	\$28,067	-	\$30,098	\$92.00	
\$21,589 -	\$22,933	\$69.00	\$30,099	-	\$32,131	\$110.00	
\$22,934 -	\$24,285	\$90.00	\$32,132	-	\$34,157	\$120.00	
\$24,286 -	\$25,630	\$125.00	\$34,158	-	\$36,189	\$139.00	
\$25,631 -	\$27,013	\$141.00	\$36,190	-	\$38,222	\$152.00	

### COST SHARING WHEN <u>OVER-INCOME</u>(revised language 2/14/2017):

One Person	ı	Monthly Two Person Family		y Mor	Monthly		
Annual Gro	oss Inco	me Co-i	payment	Annual Gr	oss Inco	me Co-	payment
\$27,014	-	\$29,270	50%	\$38,223	•	\$39,516	50%
\$29,271	-	\$31,466	55%	\$39,517	-	\$41,709	55%
\$31,467	-	\$33,662	60%	\$41,710	-	\$43,908	60%
\$33,663	-	\$35,856	65%	\$43,909	-	\$46,102	65%
\$35,857	-	\$38,050	70%	\$46,103	-	\$48,296	70%
\$38,051	-	\$40,249	75%	\$48,297	-	\$50,492	75%
\$40,250	-	\$42,440	80%	\$50,493	-	\$52,688	80%
\$42,441	-	\$44,636	85%	\$52,689	-	\$54,882	85%
\$44,637	_	\$46,834	90%	\$54,883	-	\$57,077	90%
\$46,835	-	\$49,028	95%	\$57,078	-	\$59,275	95%
\$49,029		and over	100%	\$59,276	_	and over	100%

### BayPath Board Highlights February 2017

#### Governor's Supplemental Budget

Ms. Alessandro said the governor released a supplemental budget which provides for more purchase of service funding in Home Care. As a network, we were aware that there were more people enrolled in the Enhanced Community Options Program (ECOP) than there was funding allocation. The secretary can transfer money from Home Care purchase of service to ECOP purchase of service which will alleviate the funding problem. The supplemental budget must go through and be voted on by our legislators. Ms. Alessandro is confident that this will be approved. Mass Home Care is hosting a lobby day at the State House on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Alessandro will be attending Lobby Day with a few staff members. Ms. Alessandro will be scheduling a meeting with Danielle Gregoire of Marlborough who has been appointed a Chair of the Elder Affairs Committee. There will be additional meetings scheduled with legislators to advocate for Home Care.

### **Home Care Regulation Changes**

Ms. Alessandro spoke about the recent changes in the Home Care regulations. Previously, we were able to provide services to consumers who were over income but had caregivers through the "Over Income Respite Program". The over income individuals did not pay a copayment but rather a percentage of the cost of monthly services monthly, up to 100%. The regulations have changed to eliminate the caregiver provision, and will now be named "The Over Income Program". To meet the criteria, the individual must be over age 60 and have six (6) functional impairments. This new regulation should increase our Home Care census.

#### **Elder Affairs Program Audit**

Ms. Alessandro said a Designation Review is scheduled to be held at BayPath Elder Services on **Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**. This review is done for all ASAP's. The last review at BayPath was in 2013.

### One Care Update

Ms. Alessandro mentioned that BayPath continues to negotiate with One Care to improve the reimbursement rates. One Care is the insurance program for people under the age of 65 and on Medicare/Medicaid. They do not pay us per member per month (PMPM) which is how we get paid in the Senior Care Options program. We are paid per 15 minute increments and there are some months that we do not have contact with the consumer. If there isn't any contact with the consumer, we are not able to bill unlike a per member per month (PMPM). So we have proposed a higher contract rate to cover the cost of the program.

### Mass Health ACO & Community Partners

Ms. Alessandro said the RFP should be out this month for community partners. We are forming a partnership with Advocates, Inc. We will be working with Springwell, HESSCO, The May Institute and the Metrowest Center for Independent Living to cover the Framingham and Waltham subareas of the MCO region. Mass Health is developing five (5) regions for the ACO program and we are part of Central Mass Region,

### Consumer Programs

The home care program enrollment has been decreasing since the first of the year. Home care has a total of 1,171 consumers; SCO, 1,099 consumers.

Town	Jan-17
meal days	20
Ashland	312
Dover	32
Framingha	
ш	3993
Holliston	488
Hopkinton	262
Hudson	1165
Mariboroug	
h	2007
Natick	1081
Northborou	