

Wayland Council on Aging

MINUTES

DECEMBER 6, 2011 7:00PM

SENIOR CENTER

FACILITATOR	Betsy Soule, Chair
NOTE TAKER	Mary Antes, Secretary
ATTENDEES	<u>COA Board Members Present:</u> Betsy Soule, Chair; Mary Antes, Carol Martin, Denise Yurkofsky <u>COA Board Members Absent:</u> Evelyn Ekmejian Harriet Onello, Bill Sterling, Betsy Willard, , Bill Zellen <u>Co-Directors:</u> JoAnn Kunz and Julie Secord
PUBLIC COMMENT	There was no public comment

Agenda topics: Meeting Convened at 7:07pm

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BETSY SOULE, CHAIR

DISCUSSION	There was no quorum so no votes were taken.
ACTION	

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

JOANN KUNZ

DISCUSSION	JoAnn reported that Sen. Ross and Rep. Conroy or their aides will discuss property tax relief and the circuit breaker at a meeting on January 25 th at 1 pm.
ACTION	

FRIENDS OF THE COA

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	Julie said the board is considering other fundraisers to take the place or alternate with the Iron Chef. The board has agreed to purchase several items such as a laptop but is doing further research. An appeal letter will go out in about five months.
ACTION	

DIRECTORS REPORT

JOANN KUNZ AND JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	<p>The two SHINE counselors and one at large counselor have been very busy working with clients; the period ends tomorrow. The COA has received two Cultural Council grants, one for Barry Pell's digital slide show and one for St. Patrick's Day entertainment.</p> <p>Betsy and Julie met with the Personnel Board to request that the co-directors of the COA become a full-time position and to put on the table the need for a program coordinator. They submitted a packet of job descriptions and information on staffing from other towns. The board seemed receptive. The board will need to make a decision this month in order to meet Town Meeting deadlines.</p> <p>The Holiday Shop is tomorrow. Proceeds are divided between a charity and materials for the next year. It was suggested that the donation be to the Wayland Community Fund.</p> <p>Julie sent a request to John Moynihan for some of the remaining facility rehabilitation funds be used for COA needs including ensuring hot water in the kitchen, shades on windows in the office part of the COA, repairs to chairs, an electric outlet for the AV upgrade, and a railing on the steps leading into the large hearing room from outside.</p> <p>There has been no response from the DPW yet to a request for a reduced dump sticker fee for those who qualify for other exemptions. The FY 13 budget has been submitted.</p>
ACTION	

FEASIBILITY STUDY

JULIE SECORD AND BETSY SOULE

DISCUSSION	Betsy Soule, Bill Sterling, and Julie from the COA and Aida Gennis from the Library Trustees met with the Selectmen to request that money remaining from the Town Meeting-approved feasibility study be used to do a peer review of the Graham Meus study that includes both COA and library needs. If more money is needed than the remaining \$15,800, they asked whether the Selectmen and Finance Committee could pay the additional amount if it is not too large. They also asked whether it is possible to change the size of the municipal pad if the building configuration were different. The group agreed to submit the names of three architectural firms to ask for bids. The library also asked that moving the original library building be considered. Betsy and Julie felt that the meeting went well and that the Selectmen were pleased to see the COA and library working together.
ACTION	

PILOT

MARY ANTES

DISCUSSION	No report.
ACTION	

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION	The next COA meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 7:00pm. The Economic Development Committee will be present to discuss their proposal for senior housing on the septage facility site.
ACTION	The meeting was adjourned at 8:12.