

Wayland Council on Aging

MINUTES

JULY 26, 2016

8:00AM

SENIOR CENTER

FACILITATOR	Betsy Soule, Chair
NOTE TAKER	Mary Antes, Secretary
ATTENDEES	<u>COA Board Members Present:</u> Mary Antes, Evelyn Ekmejian, Carol Glick (8:27), Nancy Leifer, Becky Patterson, Ellen Scult, Betsy Soule, Bill Sterling, Denise Yurkofsky <u>COA Board Members Absent:</u> <u>Director:</u> Julie Secord <u>Guests:</u>
PUBLIC COMMENT	

Agenda Topics: Meeting Convened at 8:00am

MINUTES

BOARD

DISCUSSION	The minutes of June 7, 2016 were considered.
ACTION	It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of June 7th (Patterson/Scult).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

DISCUSSION	There was a brief discussion of appointing a nominating committee. However the current officers agreed to continue.
ACTION	It was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted to reelect the current officers (Yurkofsky/Patterson).

BAYPATH ELDER SERVICES REPORT

CAROL GLICH

DISCUSSION	Carol said that Congress has voted not to fund SHINE counsellors. There is concern about state funding for area elder service agencies. Julie said the 2017 state funding application package is not yet out.
ACTION	

SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	The Committee is working on templates for all information cards. Ellen Brideau, Director of Assessment, explained the Sudbury initiative and the Committee decided not to pursue the issue now. The initiative is a complex program that lowers taxes for those with lower incomes and increases taxes for those with higher incomes. It is not known how many people would be impacted. The committee will now research Weston's "double double," doubling exemption levels.
ACTION	

FRIENDS OF THE COA

NANCY LEIFER

DISCUSSION	Nancy said that the staff does so much to support the Friends. The LobsterFest will be September 25 th from 5 to 7:30pm at Sandy Burr. Betsy suggested asking Sandy Burr for a foursome for golf. Donations are still coming in in response to the appeal letter.
ACTION	

UPDATE ON WRAP COMMITTEE MEETING

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	The Schools, Recreation, and COA departments have asked to meet with the WRAP Committee to better understand their proposal to have a scheduler for space. The COA continues to be crunched for space.
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

JULIE SECORD

DISCUSSION	<p>Amerseco is expected to start work on the solar canopies in the parking lot the week of August 8th. Some programs will have to be cancelled because of the noise and lack of parking. Ben says the work will take 5 or 6 days but he is allowing two weeks.</p> <p>The "Shop-Around Shuttle" pilot program has been approved for two months. MWRTA drivers are allowed to escort people to and from the bus that will make a loop from Bent Park to stops in various locations in Wayland center, including the library. Reservations are required.</p> <p>The Great Courses "summer school" programs have been well attended. Hour-long educational videos are shown on a variety of subjects for eight weeks in July and August. The entire five-week concert series was held outside.</p> <p>Registration for the tax work-off program is underway. Becky said 24 letters have gone out and three new people have expressed interest. There are some new work places, including archeology and art programs in two schools. The COA is now CORI-certified and information storage is becoming a problem.</p> <p>Budget parameters for 2018 will be available next week. Close-out of 2016 was challenging with Munis. The COA had some turn backs. There will be elections on September 8 and September 20. Bill said that capital budget items are due October 14th.</p> <p>The center has been so busy that the staff is restricting when it will accept medical equipment. AFSME job descriptions are being reviewed. Julie is working on Nancy's job description so that the Personnel Board will understand that her job is not the typical department assistant. Sue's job description dates from 2006 and will be the next one to be reviewed.</p>
ACTION	Julie will check with Ben to make sure there is a capital funding request for a new facility.

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION	The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 8 am.
ACTION	The meeting was adjourned at 9:14.

Materials handed out at the meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes of June 7, 2016
- Chart of The Great Courses offerings
- Chart of the Shop-Around Shuttle
- Bay Path Board of Directors Minutes, June 22, 2016