

Town of Wellfleet
335 Main Street Committee
Minutes of meeting December 11, 2003
Senior Center, Long Pond Room

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Present: Anne White, Chair: George Moe, Clarence Smith, Elaine LaChapelle, Kevin Scalley, Carl Caruso, Moe Barocas and Mary Fox.
Members of the Public: Judy Taylor and Harriet Miller

Chair Anne White called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

The minutes of the December 4th meeting were approved.

Since Mary Fox will be unable to attend the Dec. 18th meeting a request was made for someone to take minutes. There were no volunteers so the possibility of taping will be considered.

Returning to discussion of the meeting format it was suggested that people who wanted to make presentations to the committee should be on the agenda.

Reports from committee members :

Carl Caruso reported that he had spoken with an employee of CVS concerning a satellite pharmacy. He will get back to Carl.

Members looking into public/private partnerships were not present to report.

There was a brief recap of the uses suggested to date. Kevin Scalley mentioned that a city planner, Arthur Moore, had drawn up a plan for downtown some years back. He thinks that both the Planning Board and Police Chief have copies.

Anne White suggested that the brainstorming begin with the committee defining revitalization. The dictionary definition is: to give new life to. The Committee will try to keep a broad vision and not get bogged down in details. The discussion that followed included thinking about what services could attract year round activity to the center of town: food, medicine, newspapers, bank, coffee, liquor, sundries, ice cream, satellite Post Office, drug store, UPS, banking. A drive-up window might keep the bank in town. This would require access from behind the bank. Zoning issues were discussed. What is needed in terms of zoning to facilitate new life. Did the planning board pass mixed use which allows living space over shops?

Carl reported that Outer Cape Health needed more space than 335 Main Street afforded. Keeping the church with both sides extended could accommodate multiple use. The Historical Society was again brought up as a group who might be approached. A band stand behind the church as well as a park area was suggested. Affordable housing was also mentioned. Is there a way to engage the art/literary community?

Next steps:

Anne White, Mary Fox and Elaine LaChapelle will meet to work on planning the inter committee meeting tentatively scheduled for January 8th.

Elaine LaChapelle will speak with Peter Watts about the art/ literary community.

Clarence Smith will contact the Cape Cod Five, and some Drug Store chains.

Moe Barocas will contact the Post Office.

Mary Fox will speak with Ira Wood.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Fox



Chair

