

AGING IN PLACE COMMITTEE

MINUTES 5-9-19

Present: Ron Ceppetelli, Gail Licciardello, Jean Paulantonio, Phyl Lytle

Absent, Ellen Ceppetelli, excused due to family emergency, Helen Sullivan, Jan Cerebona, Nancy Shapleigh

Public and/or Guests:

The Meeting was called to order at: 1:03pm

Review of minutes:

MOTION: Gail moved to approve the minutes as written of the 4-10-19 meeting with the public Jean seconded it. Ron, Gail, and Jean all voted in favor. None opposed.

MOTION: Jean moved to accept the minutes as written of the 4-11-19 (regular) meeting. Gail seconded it. Ron, Gail and Jean all voted in favor. None opposed.

Update from the chair: Ron reported the update from Ellen: There is no word on the AARP of Maine grant application of \$2500 Ellen wrote to pay for Patti Kimball, who will be the consultant to write the action plan. Patti will work with the Lifelong Community Fellow, who , if assigned will work with Patti to assist in implementing the plan

Phi Lytle needs to be added to all AIP communication, as he is now the representative from the Select Board.

Jean attended the pharmacy presentation (but arrived late and did not hear all of it.) that was held at the Baron Center. She indicated that the essence of the discussion was a review of the bills regarding prescription medication that are up before the state legislature. One bill was related to pharmacy companies, and the other was related to obtaining prescriptions from Canada. It was felt that both bills had good chances of passing.

Discussion of Planning for the May 22, 2109 Public Meeting:

- The meeting will be held at the United Methodist Church on Rt 236 on May 22, 2109 from 6-8. Amanda Ouelette is the contact person at the church. 207-439-6593. Melissa will set up the video and sound system. Ron will be available to help set up at 5 on the 22nd. Gail and Jean are attending events at the state house that day, but both indicated they should be back in time for the public meeting at 6pm
- There are chairs and tables available at the church.
- Decided there are 4 main areas to address at the meeting
 - Bike and pedestrian safety
 - Communication
 - Property Tax Relief

➤ Transportation

There may be other ad hoc discussions related to the skateboard park, additional dwelling units, and recruitment and organization of volunteers. Will need to have 4-5 flip charts for recording suggestions made by the public.

At the beginning of the meeting Ellen will conduct an exercise to facilitate discussion among the participants, as suggested by Patricia Oh

Gail will lead the discussion on improving communication about services available

Ellen will conduct bike and pedestrian safety

Ron and Jean will take the other 2 topics.

Ellen will call those people who signed up as volunteers at the last public meeting, to remind them of the May 22nd meeting.

Melissa will be bringing over the tablecloth and banner

Ellen will be bringing the water and snacks

To Get the word out about the meeting, it was decided to

- ✓ have the meeting posted on the town web site,
- ✓ ask Bob Pomerleau to post the information on Eliot online
- ✓ have Melissa produce a flyer (Ron will give her the content specifics as developed at the meeting today). Flyer to be put on the same canary yellow paper that was used for the first flyer.
- ✓ once the flyer is produced, Jean will get the flyers to all the churches in town
- ✓ have Baron Place put up a notice
- ✓ have the flyer on PDF form and put on the town web site

Miscellaneous Discussion:

Gail shared a brochure from a town on Cape Cod advertising "Sound Neighbors" supporting area residents to remain in their home and communities safely and comfortably as they age. It may be something we may want to consider at some point.

Phil discussed the Turkey Luncheon that happens yearly for seniors. This year the S. Berwick, Eliot Rotary organized it. They prepared meals for approximately 75 people.

Suggestions on how to better to alert citizens of Eliot about upcoming events, i.e. electronic sign possibly placed on State Street.

MOTION: Jean moved to adjourn the meeting. Gail seconded it. Ron, Gail, and Jean, approved. None opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:46pm

Respectfully submitted:

Gail Licciardello