

## COA Meeting Minutes September 13, 2018

In attendance: Helen, Caitlin, JD, Linda, Henry, Lucille, Janice L., Janice D., Karen Canfield, Elaine Shembari

Director Report; Staff reports (Transportation, Outreach, Activities):

Linda reported on the status of the Senior Center Project and discussion at Public Building Commission meetings during August and September outlining the architect's activities to assess the viability of preserving the A-wing or aspects of the B-wing center façade. The determination by the PBC is that the cost is not reasonable for a questionable gain in terms of re-using any portion of the remaining school building. Senior Center items included new GATRA van, assisting with Irish delegation transportation, Outreach reporting, and Activities overview.

6:00 Liaison Updates:

1. BOS –Karen Canfield

- i. Town Meeting 11/14; Warrant pending, but anticipate request for plastic bag ban; CPC funding for Wampatuck playground in front along Tilden Rd, also partially funded by PTO funds and fully accessible; and Roach field parking lot.
- ii. NEW: Director of Public Health position posting.
- iii. JD asked for more information regarding the Wampatuck playground;
- iv. Brown water update: There will be some items regarding Brown Water at STM, i.e. looking to accelerate flushing with additional funding; working to install more filters; attempting to hasten the work that was already planned and funded.

2. South Shore Elder Services (SSES) – Joan Powers was not in attendance—no news from SSES and the Community Dinner at St. Luke's is on 10/28.

3. Friends of Scituate Seniors (FOSS) - Elaine Shembari

- i. Did well at Heritage Days with Bake Sale; also made over \$500 from involvement in Senior Center Art/Craft sale and allocated

- 10% to the Senior Center. Ticket sales from the Fashion Show on 10/15 are going well with transportation provided by COA.
- ii. Raffle tickets for the hand-made rug are still being sold.
  - iii. Other event dates for Trivia Night (10/19) and Craft Fair (12/1)

6:30 Old Business/New Business:

1. By-laws (Report by Subcommittee from 8/24)
  - i. Need to send new by-laws to BOS and get on their agenda for a presentation of the major changes to obtain approval.
  - ii. Karen thinks that the Board being more involved in screening new members is a good one and that it could be used as a pilot for other boards. But the changes need to be reviewed by all board members at a future meeting.
2. Age-Friendly Update/COA Event Planning
  - i. Working on assembling steering committee members. AARP will be present to “Certify” Scituate as an age-friendly community at the Family Fun Walk on 9/23.
  - ii. Mark Fenton presented to a preliminary group of possible Steering Committee or board members before the COA meeting to explain his work with Age-friendly initiatives and walkability around the country, and specifically his experience with San Diego recently.
    1. Example of how to collect “data” using intersection at the Satuit Tavern counting the number of rolling stops over a 3 hour period. Then we can insert a crosswalk and count the number of rolling stops. This model of collecting information could be used to improve the walkability and “Age friendliness” of Scituate. CC’s edit: Might be a good idea to choose an intersection near the new senior center location as that is a concern that some folks have about the location.
  - iii. Family Fun Walk PROGRAM – Sunday, Sept 23 @11 am
    1. Linda will send a request for volunteers by email.

2. T-shirts have been ordered, some will be made without the date so they can be used again.
  3. T-shirts free to first 50 walkers and available for purchase at \$10/each. Raffle tickets will be sold for the Nordic walking poles and the Conservation Commission and other groups will have resource materials available. Kona ice truck, snacks and water available afterward.
- iv. Navy Band Pops Concert –Thursday, Nov 8 still TBD. Planned as a great intergenerational, collaborative event. Linda is nearly confirmed with the band and has already reached out to the music director at the high school.