

Meeting Minutes for July 25, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

In attendance: Jerry Culbert, Chair, Deb Roussell, Vice Chair (Clerk), Mary Mitzcavitch, Mark Koenig, Jack MacKeen, Mary Ann Bassett, Amy Loveless, Stephanie Duggan, Linda Holt (FinComm liaison), Joshua Morse.

Absent: Chris DiSilva (Select Board liaison, Dan Shields, Clerk, Paul Guthrie, interim clerk.

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Jack requested an amendment to the minutes to accurately reflect the actual tax burden. Mark K. noted that the minutes incorrectly recorded him as absent, despite his attendance at the meeting.

Motion to Approve Amended Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Working Group Report:

The Visitation Committee conducted a visit to the Maynard Senior Center.

The committee collected information consistent with previous Senior Center visits.

A comprehensive visual comparison of all Senior Centers will be compiled and posted on the Senior Center Committee's website.

Finance Committee Report:

Town Warrant Override Article: The committee is working on drafting an override article for the Town Warrant to address the leasing costs.

Discussions are ongoing to determine if the article can be written in a way that would bind the town to future spending commitments for the Council on Aging (COA). Awaiting a response from Greg Johnson regarding this matter.

Josh emphasized the urgency of clearly defining our needs. He suggested increasing our funding request due to the uncertainty regarding the exact amount required.

Upcoming Quad Meeting:

A reminder that there will be a quad meeting on July 30th. Although we will have a representative present, we are not part of this board. It is important to discuss the status of the Senior Center during this meeting.

Funding for Build-Up Costs:

Linda presented potential methods to fund the build-up costs, including fundraising and utilizing reserve funds. Jack emphasized the need to find a highly skilled negotiator for this effort.

Visitation Group Tour:

A visitation group will be touring Mill and Main Building #9 on Wednesday, August 30th at 10:00 AM.

New Business:

Calendar Updates:

The calendar has been updated to reflect meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays moving forward.

August 1st and 15th: Remote

September 5th: Hybrid

September 19th: Remote

October 3rd Remote Oct 17th Hybrid

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM was made by Deb and seconded by Jack.