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Age Friendly Action Committee

July 13, 2022

Present: Judy Morrison, Dana Bickelman, Andrea Paschal, Amy Checkaway, Joel Iglesias, Tim Flood, Hildy Dvorak,

Absent: Judy Singler, Kristin Daley, May Forkin,

Meeting was held by remote

1. Meeting called to order at 11:07 am.
2. Introductions of long-term members and new members of the AFAC.  
Joel Iglesias the co-president of the Belmontian Club at the high school who will be a liason for AFAC to the schools. Amy Checkaway who is on the School Committee and the Town Meeting and will be a liason for us with the School system. Hildy Dvorak who is interested in the committee and is currently a member at large. She is a member of the Friends of the Belmont Council of Aging..
3. The membership of this committee is in flux right now. Mention was made of those members who were just appointed include Teresa O'Connor representing the Recreation department , and a Library representative who has not been appointed yet. Also Judy Singler will be going off the Housing Committee and a new representative will be appointed.
4. Minutes of the last meeting were approved after two corrections were made by Judy Morrison
5. The subcommittees were introduced and described for the benefit of all participants Among the topics discussed were the following:
  - Housing. Susan Polit gave a summary of past activity of this committee and described the guide which is being created to help Belmont Home Owners in planning and carrying out modifications to their homes. Judy Morrison described the possibility of partnering with the LWV around issues of Accessory Dwelling Units and also transportation initiatives which the LWV has worked on and expanding our communication with that organization to create partnerships.
  - Transportation --Permits were made available this year for those over 65 for parking in Belmont Center
  - The links between Belmont School walkability programs and our efforts will be explored by Amy Checkaway for next time.
  - Judy M. mentioned many volunteer jobs which might be of interest to school students such as shoveling, raking, etc.
  - Tim Flood did obtain the document describing Outdoor Spaces which was created in 2004. He is currently updating that since it is not at all accurate. It is not clear what land

is town owned, how it is used or not and how it can be used for Age Friendly purposed (for citizens from 0-100)

--Directions for the Communication subcommittee were described We hope to update the website and modernize it, perhaps with help from Peter Struzzerio from the library or people from the school

--the Senior Center is open from 8am-4pm daily. The Recreation Department uses the space for activities at times. Ideas for expanding the hours have been/ and are being considered . Changes may have to be made to accommodate those Seniors who are still working. COVID interfered with planning and considering these ideas.

6. The time of this meeting was discussed and considered. We've been meeting the second Wed. of each month at 11AM.—At the next meeting several new members will attend .. At that meeting the issue of meeting time will be raised again Judy M. will send out instructions for posting meetings and submitting the agenda for the next meeting Tim raised the possibility of submitting good times for meeting to Judy prior to that.

7. A motion was made to end the meeting and it was passed.

Next meeting: August 10, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. via remote access.

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