Minutes from Baron's South Committee Meeting 6/17/2011

Present:

Steve Daniels, Co-Chair Marty Hauhuth, Co-Chair Reverend Ed Horne John Thompson Sharon Rosen Kenneth Bernhard Barbara Butler Shelly Kassen

Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM

Wesley Village – discussed the site visit.

Older facility on a lot of land trying to move to a more modern model Three separate operators of the facility – business model? Need to understand why this is the case.

No priority for the nursing home

Services are unbundled – "a la carte"

Reverend Horne's parents lived there for 20 years and described the great sense of community.

<u>Westport Health Care</u> – Discussed this facility and the relationship to those in the community. Question – would their beds be available in the future?

<u>Public Forums</u>: Julie Robison from UCONN Center for Aging. She is available July 11 and it was decided the meeting would be called for 7:30 PM. The RFP would we drafted simultaneously while the forums were being held. Town Attorney Gail Kelly will be working with a small subcommittee on the development of the RFP.

<u>Organization of the Committee</u> – we need to begin assigning specifics to each member. The Co-Chairs will discuss and distribute assignments

<u>Committee's future relationship with RTM</u> – RTM wishes to be more involved. We considered inviting the RTM to our meetings and requesting them to send us questions they would like us to answer. Perhaps our Committee should be a standing item on the RTM agenda and we will rotate who will report to the RTM. July 12, 2011 is the next meeting. The RTM should also be invited to the July 11th Community Forum. Jack Kling of the RTM Long Range Planning Committee has agreed to be a liaison from the RTM to the Baron's South Committee.

Additional Site Visits: Following the planned Massachusetts site visits there will be additional local visits to be scheduled by Sharon Rosen. We specifically discussed going to Waveny Health in New Canaan.

Dates:

July 1, 2011 – Regular AM meeting.

July 11, 2011 – 7:30 PM Community Forum

July 12, 2011 – RTM meeting – one committee member to attend and report

July 21, 2011 – Evening Committee meeting to accommodate those who cannot attend out open meetings on Friday mornings.

Aug. 12, 2011 – Regular AM meeting

Minutes from June 3, 2011 – approved with one correction. Ken B was in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 11 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon H. Rosen