

MINUTES
BARONS SOUTH COMMITTEE
March 25, 2011

The meeting of the Baron's South Committee was call to order at 9:35am by Steve Daniels, Co-Chair

The following members were present:

Steve Daniels – Co-Chair
Marty Hauhuth – Co-Chair
Paul Van Orden
Sharon Rosen
Jo Fuchs-Luscombe
John Thompson
Ken Bernard

Also present were:

Shelly Kassen, Selectwoman
Gail Kelly, Assistant Town Attorney

Absent: Yvonne Senturia
Rev. Ed Horne

The Committee discussed the following:

- 1) The need to establish subcommittees to visit other senior care/housing facilities. Sharon Rosen agreed to contact various facilities to schedule site visits.
- 2) That Sharon Rosen will be the liaison between the Committee and the Senior Services Commission. Sharon agreed to schedule a joint meeting of the Commission and the Committee
- 3) Scheduling community wide forums. It was agreed that these forums should be scheduled in early June.
- 4) The need to establish qualifications for developers/bidders of the project. In this regard there was a discussion on ensuring the financial viability of a potential developer. The Committee then discussed creating a subcommittee to gather information on financing sources.

- 5) That the Committee must look at all options, that is, a profit vs. a not-for-profit developer.
- 6) Visiting community groups in Westport to inform and seek input. Among those groups are the Rotary, Kiwanis and Y's Men. Scheduling these group meetings was delegated to Yvonne Senturia, Barbara Butler and Marty Hauhuth
- 7) The need to speak with industry organizations.
- 8) The financial subcommittee should meet with representatives from Federal and State funding agencies to discuss available tax credits and the amount of funding available for projects of this nature.

At the conclusion of the discussion, it was agreed that the Committee would meet on a regular, bi-weekly basis. The next meeting was scheduled for April 8, 2011 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am.

There was no further discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Gail Kelly
Assistant Town Attorney