

COMMISSION FOR SENIOR SERVICES MEETING MINUTES  
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2015  
Westport Town Hall

Attendance:

CSS Members:

Howard Maynard, Stan Nayer, Teri Klein, Michael Stashower , Sharon Rosen, Janet Filling

Guest:

Larry Bradley. Director for Planning and Zoning

Staff:

Barbara Butler and Susan Pfister

Minutes:

Minutes of January 16, 2015 approved.

New Business:

Baron's South - New Proposal by Jonathan Rose Companies.

Jonathan Rose has submitted a revised proposal which has responded to the concerns raised by the P and Z. There will be 70% open space, 60% affordable housing and the amenity center which will provide services to all Town seniors will remain. There will also be 90 assisted living units.

Larry Bradley who attended today's meeting informed the Commission that the next meeting of the P and Z will be March 5 for a pre- application review of the revised proposal. There will also be a public hearing on the rezoning of property.

There is a Petition to the P and Z to defer discussion and vote to rezone Barons South to after a consideration of the revised Baron's South Proposal. It was voted by the Commission to add this Petition to today's Agenda.

Commission members voted unanimously to approve the petition. It will be circulated widely among seniors and other concerned community members.

Commission members and attending staff will work to encourage a wide and large attendance at this upcoming meeting to hear and support the revised proposal.

Down Town Westport Master Plan Feb 10th. Janet Filling reported that the Plan was well presented. Safety for pedestrians including sidewalks is a major consideration of the plan. The 3 planning stages are on track.

Old Business: ITN Coastal CT Senior Transportation. Nancy McCormick is staying on as consultant during the transition phase. The program is presently negotiating with national headquarters. The local ITN is viable , may be able to get local software. The contract with the national office is only signed for one year.

CSS Mission: Stan has prepared a membership status of the Commission. Many of the current members terms will expire in November 2015, three in 2014. This includes Stan's position as leader. New members will need to be recruited. List attached. Postponement of By-Laws and Mission discussion.

Department Reports: The AARP tax filing is moving among. 200 Households applied for Energy Assistance. Tax Assessment Office starting to assist with tax deferral and credits. 435 persons participated in the DHS Holiday program

Committee Reports: Friends of the Center. Plans for Fall Conference on Aging moving along. A music program is planned for this coming Sunday The SuperBowl party was a big success.

Submitted by  
Teri Klein