



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD MEETING
Monday January 9, 2023 at 12:30pm

Meeting called to order by Carol Laughlin at 12:30 p.m. in the Land Use Room

Public participation – audience and zoom

Present: Donna Foisy, Jack Poci, Harvey Holm, Carol Laughlin, Associate member Elaine Boucher and Director Cindy Sullivan.

Zoom at 12:31p.m.: Carol Smith

Absent: Paula LeBlanc, Theresa Rogers and Associate member Harriet Fischer

1. Aging in Southwick Listening Session

Open discussion with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission and participating members of the Master Plan Committee regarding future needs of aging population in Southwick was cancelled due to a death so Director Cindy Sullivan decided to hold meeting as public attending could not be alerted due to timing of cancellation. Cindy Sullivan held session and the public was able to give some feedback. This listening session will be rescheduled at a later time.

A. Feedback

- 1) A Neighbor Watch Group
- 2) More affordable senior housing: fifty five and over with aging in mind
- 3) Multi-generational housing allowed/zoning to help seniors stay in their homes
- 4) Listing of handymen/volunteers for jobs seniors cannot do
- 5) Bigger entertainment venues/facilities in town
- 6) Larger Senior Center/Community space with more parking

Motion to adjourn at 1:45pm by Donna Foisy and second by Jack Poci. Motion accepted by roll call vote.

Next Meeting, Monday, February 13, 2023 at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Foisy

