

**Kennebunkport Senior Advisory Committee –
Approved Minutes - July 18, 2017**

Members Present: Susan Boak, Penny Gruen, Loreta McDonnell, and Susan Gesing. Members unable to attend: Dean Auriemma, Bill Leffler

Vice Chair, Susan Boak, called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM

The major purpose of the meeting was to review the latest draft of the questionnaire and agree on a final draft. Susan B. went through the draft using a projector and suggestions/corrections were made with participation by all attending. Committee members agreed that the purpose of the questionnaire is to discover “what it is like to be an older adult in the town of Kennebunkport”

A motion was made and carried unanimously to accept the new draft incorporating all recommended changes. Susan B agreed to spruce up the final draft and circulate it to committee members for a final look. She will then take it to Laurie Smith by July 21 for her review. The plan is to have the two-sided questionnaire mailed to residents with their tax bills. Other places in town would be specified for picking up copies. Residents would be asked to drop off questionnaires at town office or mail them to office address.

New business

Penny announced that she has set up a Google Drive folder for the committee’s use in sharing information. There are files on the drive for interview notes, meeting minutes, and surveys. Committee members should add their reports to this drive. Susan B. announced that she has written up her interview conversations. Susan G said that all the minutes have been placed in the drive.

Susan B suggested that the committee meet as a whole with new town nurse Alison Kenneway but first all should read her report on the town website for an overview of services provided.

There was discussion on the possibility of the selectmen appointing another member of SAC as there are still many tasks to complete. Susan B. will mention this to Laurie Smith when she meets with her.

A photo was taken of the committee members assembled for possible use in a press release before the questionnaire is mailed to residents. This would give advance notice that it will be arriving and hopefully stimulate interest. Penny offered to write the press release and Sue G said she’d help, if needed.

Old Business

As a reminder about the assignments made for each committee member to review one of the domains and to summarize it with comments/suggestions to be added to the committee's Google drive folder, the list follows. There was consensus that this should be a project for September.

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings – Susan B.

Transportation – Bill L.

Housing - Dean

Social Participation - Loreta

Respect and Social Inclusion – Sue G

Civic Participation and Employment – Sue G

Communication and Information - Penny

Community Support and Health Services - Dean

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 AM

Decision for next meeting date and location (probably one meeting in August on either the 8th or 22nd) will be made and announced by chair.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Gesing, Secretary