

Minutes of Bar Harbor Task Force on Aging

Sept. 19, 2018

Municipal Bldg.

Present: Ron Greenberg, Bonnie Lundquist, Doreen Willett, Jan Varnum, Martha Searchfield, Barbara MacPike. Absent: Judie Noonan

The meeting was called to order by Chair Doreen Willett. Officers were elected, with Doreen Willett serving as Chair, Martha Searchfield as Vice Chair, and Jan Varnum as Secretary.

Bonnie stated that she had thought about some questions for our focus groups. Jan brought in a matrix for a plan she had thought about in preparation for the meeting. There followed a lengthy discussion about the focus groups, including topics, size of groups, facilitation, etc. We agreed that the results should lead to an action plan.

We agreed on two extra meetings to focus on planning the focus groups: **Oct. 2 and Oct. 4, 3:30-5:30 PM, and our next regular meeting, Oct. 17, 3:00-5:00 PM.**

In preparation, each person will work on one area, listed below:

Guide: Doreen and Martha
Locations: Martha
Design: Bonnie
Logistics: Ron
Publicity: Jan (call Liz Graves)
Recruiting (how): Barbara
Recruiting (who): Jan

There was more discussion. We agreed that our goal is to learn more about the needs of our community and to develop potential solutions to recommend to the Town Council based on our survey and focus groups.

We discussed a potential logo for our group. Doreen asked for input regarding the one logo she shared.

An e-mail from Patricia Oh, AARP, offered to focus on Bar Harbor's Task Force activity on one page of a calendar. Doreen will prepare a 50-word description and seek a photo of Grant Park to submit.

We spent a few minutes sharing personal information about ourselves.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully,
Jan Varnum, Secretary