

TOWN OF SUDBURY  
COUNCIL ON AGING  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
November 16, 2021  
3:30 PM

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WEBSITE: <http://sudbury.ma.us/departments/CouncilOnAging/>  
Meeting Conducted Via Zoom

**Present:** Chairman: Jeff Levine

**Members Present:** Sandy Lasky, Bob Lieberman, Anna Newberg, Pat Tabloski, Don Sherman, Peg Espinola and Pat Lewis

**Also Attending:** Debra Galloway Director of Sr. Center

**Guests via Video:** Lynn Puorro (Sudbury TV resource)

**Meeting called to order** by Chairman Jeff Levine at 3:32 PM

Attendance by all those members above confirmed by roll-call affirmation.

**Sewataro Property (Jeff Levine):** The three year initial term for use of the property by a private day camp operator expires in September, 2022. A discussion pursued with regard to next steps and reiteration from the motion adopted at the COA Board Meeting of November 9, 2021 that the "Select Board retain an independent consultant specializing in land use and planning to review and assess the property and to advise the Town on various alternative uses that would benefit all residents of the community in one way or another, and to assess estimated cost of implementing each of those alternatives". Discussed potential for a short term extension of the contract as opposed to a five year renewal at this time. Reviewed a proposed letter to the Select Board and motion was introduced and unanimously approved by roll call vote for the COA to submit a letter to the Select Board outlining the proposal to hire an outside consultant as stated above.

**ARPA Funds:(Jeff Levine)** Discussion of Fairbanks Community Center as a public sector project that has been adversely impacted by the pandemic. The increase in the cost of construction materials resulting from the pandemic has required the project team to undertake a value engineering study which has identified, scaled back or reduced some design elements of the building or delayed certain construction features of the project. The Town of Sudbury has already received \$2.8Million in ARPA funds and will be receiving an additional \$3 million. A motion was introduced and unanimously approved by roll call vote by seven members with two members not present to vote. that in view of the pandemic impact on the cost of construction materials to be used to construct the Community Center, the Council On Aging requests that the Select Board apply ARPA funds to reinstate between one

hundred thousand dollars and one million dollars to the project to restore value engineered reductions to the project, especially those applying to the Senior Center portion of the building.

**Motion was made by Don Sherman to adjourn.** Second by Pat Tabloski.

Unanimously approval by roll-call vote. Adjourned at 4:45pm.

**The next regular meeting** is scheduled for December 14, 2021 at 4PM using the Hybrid meeting approach of In Person at the Fairbanks Community Center and via zoom. Viewable later on Sudbury TV (SudburyTV.org)

Respectfully submitted by  
Robert Lieberman  
COA Secretary