

TOWN OF SUDBURY
COUNCIL ON AGING
SPECIAL EVENT SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

October 26, 2023

1:00 PM

WEBSITE: <http://sudbury.ma.us/departments/CouncilOnAging/>

Members Present: Paul Marotta, Don Sherman, Anna Newberg
and Debra Galloway, Director of Sudbury Senior Center

Members Absent:

Guests: Joe Bausk, Friends of Sudbury Seniors President,
Friends Members: Pat Howard

Meeting called to order at 1:02 PM

Committee Purpose: to plan for the New Senior Center Celebration

Committee Objective: to introduce the community to the new space; showcase special programs.

Minutes Approval

Paul asked if the Special Events subcommittee members had comments about the Minutes of the August 31 and September 28 meetings. Don Sherman made a motion to approve the August 31 and September 28 Minutes as presented; seconded by Anna Newberg; with all members in favor.

Senior Center Move Dates/Soft Opening

Discussion around the new dates for the Senior Center move to the new Community Center building. The new dates are Dec. 11-28. This means the Senior Center space and staff will not be ready for a January 9 Soft Opening. Paul proposed changing the Soft Opening date to the backup date of January 23. Joe suggested that we postpone the Soft Opening indefinitely due to the new move dates. Joe thinks that people will not stay engaged on this if we schedule it and have to keep changing the date of the event. He is also concerned that we will be holding a Soft Opening too close to the Grand Opening scheduled for May 2024. Debra concurred that it would be good to perhaps not reschedule the Soft Opening yet, and wait until the Senior Center staff are in the building. Pat Howard also mentioned that the building could have “kinks” to be worked out that affect whether an opening can be scheduled.

Next Meeting:

There was discussion about scheduling the next meeting for January, rather than November but a definitive plan was not made.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.