

## December 21, 2022

Attendees: Ruthann Dobek, Janet Gelbart, Susan Granoff, Yolanda Rodriguez, John Seay, Carol Seibert, Ruth Seidman, David Trevvett, Melissa Trevvett, Matt Weiss. Staff: Jessica Milley-Gee

### 1. Update on Brookline's AARP Age-Friendly application

- a. Ad hoc committee met Tuesday, December 13
  - i. Noted AFCC agreed to review the application.
  - ii. Accomplishments and goals reported in 8 "domains".
  - iii. 8 Domains are: Social Participation, Housing, Outdoor Spaces and Buildings, Health Services and Community Supports, Respect and Social Inclusion, Civic Participation and Employment, Transportation, and Communication and Information.
  - iv. Pedestrian Advisory Committee report is an impressive accomplishment that needs to be included in Transportation.
- b. Kathy and Ruthann reviewed the Goals & Accomplishments document and began to edit for the new year. Please review the attached and make appropriate additions, comments, and edits.
  - i. Edits needed by January 6<sup>th</sup>.

### 2. Discussion of BrooklineCAN Setting priorities for 2022-2023.

#### Discuss increasing membership.

- a. Ruthann – Geriatric group extend memberships due to COVID.
- b. John – Post-COVID lapsed membership report for next meeting.
- c. Susan – New activities for 2023 reminder to lapsed members.
- d. Janet – Remind people what membership means.
- e. Ruth – Identify needs of committees in the same letter.
- f. Matt, Janet and Susan will work on the lapsed member letter.
- g. LCAC meeting remind attendees of BrooklineCAN membership.
- h. Newsletter calendar of upcoming BrooklineCAN activities.
- i. Provide contact person for each activity.

### 3. Discussion of BrooklineCAN annual meeting

- a. When should it be held?
  - i. Possibly Include Steering Committee and non-Steering Committee members.
- b. Annual meeting Committee needed. Will be formed in January.
  - i. Scheduled for September soon after Labor Day.
  - ii. Start work in February.
- c. Select a theme
  - i. To be discussed at next meeting and 1<sup>st</sup> committee meeting.

#### **4. Candidate's Forum – April 2023 for May 2<sup>nd</sup> election**

- a. Choose a date in January.
  - i. Early April was suggested.
  - ii. March is when papers are submitted to run.
  - iii. Set date whether or not candidates have yet all filed.
  - iv. LWV is planning an on-line voter's guide.
  - v. Consider co-sponsor with LWV.
  - vi. Carol – Present possibility to LWV based on this meeting.
  - vii. School committee of interest controlling 2/3 of Town budget.
  - viii. Note that 2 overrides likely on the ballot and important to all.
  - ix. Key is a good moderator.
- b. Form a committee.
  - i. January meeting.

#### **5. Update on BrooklineCAN's Age-Friendly Business Program**

- a. No change.
- b. Micro-Mobility Device Rules - David
  - i. Town's by-laws – Illegal to ride a micro-mobility device “anywhere” in a public space.
  - ii. Traffic Rules and Regulations drafted by Todd Kirrane.
  - iii. Must ensure devices on sidewalk must yield to pedestrians.
  - iv. Transportation advisory committees working on compromise.
  - v. Police department is aware and in favor of R&R.
  - vi. Note enforcement not feasible based on resources required.
  - vii. Traffic R&R under Transportation Board by State law.
  - viii. Liability insurance?
  - ix. Looking for input from other stakeholder groups, e.g., CoA.
  - x. Signature/education (20 min?) completed & understood?
  - xi. David – Note bicycles are legal today on sidewalks.
  - xii. Susan – Possible LCAC meeting on the subject.
  - xiii. Older adults should become aware of the R&R planned and make their positions known.
  - xiv. Suggested that newsletter publish the document.

#### **6. Treasurers report(John)**

- a. Expense was the monthly newsletter.
- b. Membership was steady at low levels.
- c. Not remarkable re contributions and expenses.
- d. Sandy's ½ year salary is in next month expenses.

#### **7. Expanded transportation in Brookline**

- a. New videos produced by TRIPPS help steer older adults through transportation options.
  - i. Please read the document and become aware of the TRIPPS effort and contribute opinions.

**8. Committee reports**

- a. Membership
  - i. Discussed.
- b. Communications
  - i. Newsletter – Suggested article on storm drains telling all to help Town keep the storm drains clear of leaves.
  - ii. News Releases – None this month.
  - iii. Website – Velda Shaby has become a backup for John.
  - iv. AFC-TV – Amanda Hirst is next guest.
- c. Livable Communities
  - i. January – Maria Morelli of Planning Department re affordable housing
  - ii. Considering Select Board candidates for discussions.
  - iii. Would invite individual candidates to LCAC.
- d. Education
  - i. None.

**9. Old & new business**

- a. None.

**10. Next meeting: January 18, 2022 at 3:00pm via Zoom**