

Wellesley Council on Aging Executive Session  
December 28, 2011

Attending: Sandy Budson, Gayle Thieme, Mary Dummer, Susan Kagan Lange, Bill Murphy, Mary Bowers, Kathleen Quirk, Linda Cohen, John Schuler, Joellen Toussant, Diane Lapon, Sister Alice M. McCourt

Mary Dummer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Susan Kagan Lange had provided the Board members with soft drinks, candy and a noise maker as she had requested the meeting as one of the core members of the group that is meeting on a regular basis to discuss a future, stand-alone senior center.

The question before the Board was a discussion on using private funds to buy the Crevo property to expand parking potential for the senior center at the American Legion site. The Board of Selectman was not only agreeable to this idea but was promoting it and hoped that they could approach Gail Kingsley to suggest using some or all of the Tolles money for this endeavor.

Following an in-depth discussion, the Board made the priority list:

- talk to Gail Kingsley
- define what is a public/private venture
- answer what kind of over-ride is anticipated for 2012
- who would take responsibility for a Foundation for this venture

There was a motion: to support the effort to purchase the Crevo property for a senior center with private funds, including but not limited to funds from the estate of Billie Tolles, if permitted by the estate, and from other interested private organizations and individuals.

The motion passed unanimously.

There was also a proposal put forth to continue researching when and if a warrant about the future senior center should be included for the Spring Town Meeting. It was decided and agreed, that Mary Dummer, in consultation with Susan Kagan Lange, could and should make the final decision.

The meeting ended at 8:10 PM.