



The Hallowell Age-Friendly Committee is working to make our city inviting, exciting, and accessible for people of all ages and abilities. All are welcome here.

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Hallowell Age-Friendly Committee Meeting
Minutes April 10, 2019 9:15 – 10:15AM Hallowell Fire Station Coos Lane

Next meeting May 8, 2019 9:00AM – 10:00AM Hallowell Fire Station Coos Lane

Attending: John Basty, Mike Frett, Lyn Gray, Jamie Houghton, Bob McIntire, Diane Polky, Maggie Warren and Samee Quong

1. No additions to the agenda
2. Minutes to the March 13, 2019 meeting approved by consensus

Old Business/Recent Action

3. Kennebec Paddle – Sammee Quong – First Ever Intergenerational Day on the Kennebec River. Sammee reviewed her March 8th listing of events. She is hoping to organize shuttles for participants from Hallowell and Gardiner depending on where people leave the river. There was discussion that Hallowell might have a tent in Mill Park to provide information. Diane suggested contact Dan Davis, the Hallowell Harbor Master. It was suggested that the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife be contacted about the possible use of the Hallowell Boat Launch. Note – the Department of Conservation manages the boat launch. Tom Lindscott is the contact 201-287-6830. Another good contact is Piper at Gardiner Main Street.

4. Transportation Roundtable – April 23, 2019 10AM-12PM – Invitations to go to RSU 2, Cotton Mill, and Mary Ann Hayes, DOT.

5. Regional Meeting – John Bastey – John and Patricia Oh followed up with notes to the meeting. Bob will distribute. John brought books donated by AARP Maine. We should consider have an Age-Friendly shelf or reading list available at the Hubbard Library.

6. Newsletter grant progress – Publishing Partners -Thirteen were sent proposals. UMA, CHOM and Harlow/KVAA have responded positively. Presentation scheduled for the Board of Trade.

7. Walkability Survey May 4th – Mike and Bob met to work on the Transportation domain of our action plan. One of the first steps is conducting a community walkability audit. A date of May 4th was selected. Mike and Bob made a list of public buildings and private buildings open to the public, parks and lands, and streets. There are twenty locations targeted. As many as twenty teams of two each need to be recruited. Invitations will be extend to the HallDale PTO, Conservation Commission, the Recreation Commission, Hallowell Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Boy Scouts, and others.

Copies of the Walkability Tool Kits can be downloaded or ordered at <https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/getting-around/info-2014/aarp-walk-audit-tool-kit.html#>

8. AARP Challenge Grant- Summit Gas Grant – Vision Hallowell and Maggie’s Farmers’ Market Proposal – Jamie Houghton is working on the grant proposals. The AARP proposal is due April 17. Bob and other provided information for the application including a listing of Committee Milestones.
9. Trek Across Maine Follow-up – Maggie – The event is Father’s Day Weekend. Maggie and David Wood will be directing traffic at either end of town. Riders will be passing through Hallowell. Maggie and Jamie have discussed having a tent and greeters available in Augusta where people will stop for rest and refueling at the Waterfront Park.
10. City Budget Request – The newsletter is presently the only project for which the committee has a need for funding. Other committees, commissions as well as the administration it would seem would have an on-going need for communicating information.
11. Age-Friendly Plan – Requirements Review and Domain discussion 20:00
Committee members would like a clearer understanding of AARP expectation regarding developing plans and making presentations to the City Council. Diane encouraged the committee to develop a plan to present to Council so we could begin having an impact on planning. Bob will check with Mayor Walker on the status of the new Comprehensive Planning Committee, who is on the committee and if there is a timeline established for its work.

Partner Agreements need to be developed with organizations and added to our plan.

Additions or revisions to each of the eight domains of livability action plan

- Outdoor Spaces and Buildings – Mike and Bob – Walkability Survey scheduled
- Transportation – Bob and MaryAnn – Roundtable scheduled with worksession following.
- Housing – Mike feels that this topic should be a priority as in his view our committee can have little impact on the topic
- Social Participation - Maggie and Lyn
- Respect and Social Inclusion - Maggie and Lyn
- Civic Participation and Employment – Committee
- Communication and Information – Maggie and Lyn

- Community Support and Services – Cindy - Spectrum Generations

All members of the committee have access to the Hallowell Age Friendly Google Doc Action Plan Template. Committee members who don't have access should contact Bob.

UPDATE - Diane Noted that there is a hazardous waste, e-waste pick up at the Augusta Public Works for Hallowell Residents on May 18th. Hallowell residents must register at City Hall.

10. Meeting Reflection. We didn't reflect.