

## **Weston COA Governance Committee Meeting Minutes, June 8, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05am by chair Susan Ruskin Friend, via ZOOM. She read Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of Open Meeting Law, and then took attendance.

**Present:** Sue Ruskin Friend, Linda M. Johnson, Mignonne Murray, Tom Nicholson, Prather Palmer, and Gerri Scoll

**Absent:** Melissa Galton and Marge Ackerman

### **Resident Concerns and Comments**

None.

### **Meeting Minutes, May 11, 2021**

The May minutes were reviewed. There were no comments or questions. Tom made a motion to approve the minutes and Gerri seconded that motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Update on Status of Awareness Working Group and Welcoming Committee**

Linda reported that she and Carol Ott (co-chairs of the former Awareness Working Group) met with Leslye Fligor (chair of the former Welcoming Committee) on May 27 to discuss how best to work together to plan and execute social events now that the AWG and Welcoming Committee have been sunsetted. They agreed that they, along with Betsey Boyd, will serve as ad hoc event project volunteers, coordinate with COA staff member Kristen Frady, ensure Mignonne and the board are kept informed, and welcome ideas from other board members and recruit their help as necessary. They hope to meet with Kristen soon to plan the September Open House and other events for the fall and winter.

### **Update on Status of Board Candidates**

Sue reported that one of the two candidates dropped out. Since the Select Board requires at least two candidates for any board vacancy, it is necessary to post the vacancy again. Tom suggested the board continue to involve the remaining candidate and invite him to attend board meetings as a guest. Prather asked whether the board could challenge the Select Board's two-candidate policy. Linda suggested that the candidate could be invited to the coffee at the COA on June 15 and recommended that the board be more proactive in recruiting candidates. Sue said she would bring this issue up at the board meeting on June 17 and will also inquire as to where and how often the board vacancy will be posted. Sue also noted that she and Linda hope to make more progress with on-boarding plans over the summer.

### **Other Business**

It was noted that the September 16 board meeting conflicts with Yom Kippur so a date change should be considered.

**Date of Next Meeting: September 14, 2021 at 9:00am**

After a motion by Tom and a second by Gerri, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda M. Johnson  
June 15, 2021