

## Minutes of the 6/13/16 Staying Put Board Meeting

4:30 – 5:30 pm at Barb Achenbaum’s home. The meeting was followed by a social gathering with the Board and the Advisory Council.

**Present:** Barb Achenbaum, Betsy Afragola, Judy Bentley, George Brakeley, Lyn Chivvis, Lila Coleman, Tom Ferguson, Nancy Helle, Cathy Irwin, Phil Ives, Peggy Jay, Judy Johnson, Steve Orteig, Kathy Pasternak, Joel Pelzner, Lois Sandberg, Sue Scannell, Donna Simone, Priscilla Thomas, Cynthia Yates

The minutes of the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

**Community:** The NCHS Football team has offered to help SP members with household chores for a few hours on Sundays during the season. The team would also like to host a “Senior Night” at a game in September with a presentation about SP on the scoreboard during half-time. This is a great intergenerational opportunity.

The Presbyterian Church would like SP to present an End of Life program in April, 2017.

The board reviewed Arnold Karp’s proposal to redevelop the Merritt apartment complex located on Park St. between Maple and Mead Streets. The project would create 120 single level, elevator-access apartments (60 rentals, 60 condos). The June 16 New Canaan Advertiser describes the proposed project in detail. New Canaan residents are encouraged to attend P & Z meetings to have their opinions heard by the P & Z committee. The meetings are scheduled for June 28 and July 26.

### **Board Committees/Reports:**

**Membership:** Membership is scheduling meetings with some of the condo associations to promote interest in volunteering and joining SP (for the “not ready yet”).

**Events:** The “Feathers with Phil” Lunch and Learn was a great success with 22 members and friends of Staying Put in attendance. The Annual Fundraiser will be on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Lila Coleman’s with a catered BBQ menu by Chef Jeff. Tickets are \$50 a person. SP expects to share a spot at the Sidewalk Sale on July 16 with CERT and the GetAbout. SP would like to sponsor another raffle; please give any ideas to Barb. Board members are asked to sign up for specific times to help manage the table.

**Volunteers:** Volunteer driver signs are available in the office. They are laminated and say in bold, clear letters, “Staying Put in New Canaan Volunteer Driver.” Please be sure to pick one up at the office and keep it handy to put in the windshield when applicable. The board thanked Lois Sandberg for assisting the NCHS interns during their time with SP. Some of their photos will be put on the website.