

Minutes of the 4/8/19 Staying Put Board Meeting

A Meeting of the Board of Staying Put in New Canaan took place on Monday, April 8, 2019 at the First Congregational Church of New Canaan.

Present: Barb Achenbaum, Betsy Afragola, Judy Bentley, Carol Blauvelt, Lyn Chivvis, Kelly DeFrancesco, Tom Ferguson, Chris Hussey, Cathy Irwin, Phil Ives, Judy Johnson, Janet Lanaway, Steve Orteig, Joel Pelzner, Donna Simone, Chris Snyder, and Tom Stadler.

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 pm.

Minutes: The Minutes of the March 19, 2019 Board Meeting were approved.

Fairfield County's Giving Day: Joel Pelzner reported that Staying Put received \$7,505 in donations. He thanked Patti Geanakos, Sue Scannell and Betsy Afragola for their support of the effort.

Advisory Council: The Advisory Council will meet Thursday April 18 at 3:30 pm at the New Canaan Historical Society. Tom Stadler will speak about current events in town, in particular in support of seniors.

Volunteers: Sharon Pierce reported that she is setting up Sign-Up Genius, a new platform for recruiting and organizing volunteer resources.

Events: The Annual Meeting will be held at St Mark's on Sunday April 28 from 2-4 pm. The speaker will be Representative Tom O'Dea. Four volunteers will be honored at the Annual Meeting: Betsy Afragola, Phil Ives, Connie MacDougall and Kevin Morley.

Necessary Conversations: Barb, Nic and Cathy Irwin met with Laurie Sapper Gaugler, a professional in the field of Long-term Care Insurance. She is scheduled to give a presentation at the Library in October.

Recycling: Carol Blauvelt gave a report from a program Recycling 101 sponsored by Planet New Canaan at the Library. The Town is launching a

“Know before you Throw” program. The website **recyclelect.com** identifies what to recycle and what to put into the garbage.

Scams: Chris Snyder reported on his research relate to scams, especially targeted to seniors. It was agreed that Chris would begin a regular column on Senior Scams in the quarterly newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.