Notes:

> WiFi in the Depot – Update/Plan – Jay Hubelbank (as available)
No report available

> SustainableCT/Economic Initiatives – Update – Jay Hubelbank (as available)
No report available

> Young Families – Update/Next Steps – Michael Jackson, Julie King, Julia Noble
Julie King walked the WEDC thru the development and timing of the NOW Project Marketing Plan. See below.

![Washington NOW - Marketing Plan](image)

> Adult Services – Update/Next Steps – Joan Lodsin, Tony Bedini
Tony Bedini reviewed the work to date on updating/replacing the Washington Senior Center. See below.

The story starts in 2012 with members visiting other centers in Roxbury, Bridgewater etc. It was plain to see that we needed more room. Resulted in no plans just discussions.

This subject was brought forth more recently the candidates and Dan and I started exploring the possibilities without purchasing any additional property. We considered three options.
First was to enlarge and reconfigure the current center. There are many problems with that idea. Structural, space, property limitations, ROW, parking, septic, Canoe Brook etc.

Second was the property on the left side of the Bee Brook Fire House. Conversations with Steep Rock resulted in their offer of additional property at no cost. Problems include the proximity to the Shepaug River and the State Route 47 ROW. If we followed Zoning and State regulations we would have a building 20 feet wide and 200 feet long.

The third option was Titus Park. 4.75 acres, adequate parking, walkable to center of the Depot with some sidewalks, ample parking. This would leave enough space to perhaps build a few small homes for seniors who may want to downsize and stay in Washington.

Option 3 still needs considerable work involving drawings, acquiring permits from Wetlands, Zoning, Health Dept., Building Dept., DEEP, and Army Corps of Engineers. We have survey and elevation maps. We have met several times with Reese Owens getting educated on the processes of building layouts, construction drawings, etc., etc.

Our goal is to occupy such a building in 2025. We are creating a time line.

We except that funding would be ¾ private and ¼ town. We have spoken to a few likely donors and it looks promising.

Several questions arise.

Do the townspeople want a Senior, Social, or Community Center???

What services should it provide???

Where would be an acceptable location???

To this end we have planned to have a Community Conversation on January 14th to try and get the answers to some or all of those questions.

Joan Lodsin announced a Conversation with the Community on a New Senior Center, Tues, Jan 14, 2020, 4:00PM at Legion Hall. The First Selectman will email an announcement to the Town. See below.
Our first goal is to form a Steering Committee to explore and move forward on the exciting initiatives that are being put forth. Now is the time to become involved, ask questions and get answers.

Please attend the next meeting of the Senior Center Advisory Board. The meeting will be held on January 14, 2020 at 4:00p.m. at the Senior Center in Washington Depot. Please RSVP to joanlodsin@yahoo.com. Light refreshments will be provided.

Please consider attending this important meeting. It will give all of us an opportunity to take part in this exciting endeavor that will impact generations to come.

Thank you,
Jim Brinton

> Zoning – Overlays in the Villages - Wayne Hileman
No new reporting.

> Co-working Space – Michelle Gorra, Dan Sherr
Dan Sherr reported the opening of the Warren Co-working Space in Warren Center. See below. The emerge of co-working spaces in the adjoining towns (New Milford, Litchfield, Morris) creates the opportunity for a co-working network. Dan indicated the Warren Works were likely to draw heavily from the Lake Waramaug weekenders. Howard Rosenfeld indicated that it was already fully booked.

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| Back Office: | $450 Monthly |

Ask about longer terms
Dan Sherr circulated an updated version of the position description for the Washington Community Development Coordinator. See attached. He indicated that a funding request will be submitted as a line item for the 2020-2021 Town Budget.

Jim Brinton asked if the position could be shared with adjoining towns. It was suggested that Warren and Kent be approached. Discussion clearly indicated that anyone considering the position should know the Town of Washington well.

WASHINGTON CT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR – DRAFT #4

PURPOSE OF POSITION

The Washington CT Community Development Coordinator, coordinates the activities and implements programs that advance the community development and economic vitality of the Town. She/he is responsible for the development, conduct, execution and documentation of the annual Washington Community Development Plan. The Coordinator guides the supporting organizations based on objectives/ goals/ performance metrics of the annually approved action plan.

The Washington Community Development Director reports to the First Selectman.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

[1] Develop the strategies that fully utilize the Town’s human, economic and natural resources to advance the Town’s economic and community vitality.

[2] Develop the annual action plan with a focus on organization, coordination, and communications.

[3] Recruit and engage persons and groups from the community to advance the annual Washington Economic and Community Development Plan.

[4] Administer the Washington Annual Economic Community Development Program, including annual plan/budget development, contracting with consultants, accounting and reporting. Prepare requests to funding organizations and agencies. Supervise and integrate the work of consultants.

[5] Build on-going working relationships with supportive regional and state organizations.


PRIOR EXPERIENCE

> Advancing social and/or economic programs in smaller New England communities (10K or less population).
> Facilitating “community conversations”.
> Working with smaller nonprofits - annual budgets of $1MM or less.
> A hands-on work-style particularly implementing approved projects/programs.