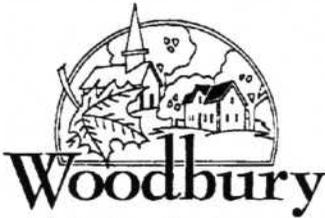


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BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 24, 2015

Shove Conference Room

7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: First Selectman William J. Butterly, Jr., Selectman Martin Overton, Selectman Barbara Perkinson, approximately ten residents, one reporter

1. Call to order – First Selectman Butterly called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. First Selectman's Report – First Selectman Butterly reported that:
 - Woodbury's Animal Control Officer, Judy Umstead, had been recognized as "Officer of the Year" at the Connecticut Animal Control Officers Training Seminar.
 - Interviews for hiring an Engineering Firm to consult on the Hazel Plain Bridge Project took place on September 22, 2015 (six firms interviewed, eleven responded).
4. Privilege of the Floor – First Selectman Butterly advised Mrs. Wolf that her A2 survey came in too late for action tonight. *Mrs. Donna Wolf:* Mrs. Wolf expressed additional concerns about easements, emphasized, in her opinion, that just transferring the strip of land would be the easiest solution, and asked about her requested site walk. *Mr. John Hardisty:* Mr. Hardisty complained (while showing a picture to the Selectmen) about the safety cone closure of Sanford Road/off Bacon Pond area with a police car up the street while tree trimming was happening; complained that the town should take Cannon Green by eminent domain. *Ms. Carol Bacon:* Ms. Bacon complained about O & G's recent blasting near the line. First Selectman Butterly stated he would ask Town Planner Kathy Castagnetta about enforcement on their blasting permit.
5. Minutes –Regular Meeting September 10, 2015 – MOTION: Selectman Overton moved to approve the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2015. SECOND: Selectman Perkinson. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
6. Bid Awards – MOTION: Selectman Overton moved to award the Winter Sand Bid to Stone Construction Co., Inc. at \$15.35 per ton based on the recommendation of the Director of Public Works. SECOND: Selectman Perkinson. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: First Selectman Butterly moved to award the skid steer rental to Able Tool & Equipment at a rate not to exceed \$2340.00 a month, based on the recommendation of the Director of Public Works. SECOND: Selectman Perkinson. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
7. Donations/Grants – none.
8. Old Business
 - a. Update regarding 146 Westside Road – no action.
 - b. Update Reservoir Property purchase – First Selectman Butterly noted that he has asked Town Attorney Jessell to call the state about the grant award and the letter of recommendation from the Task Force had been received.

9. New Business – First Selectman Butterly asked for a motion to add the agenda. MOTION: Selectman Overton moved to add an item not on the agenda. SECOND: Selectman Perkinson. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- a. Presentation by Commission for the Elderly - Mrs. Loryn Ray, Director of Elderly Services and Sharon Sherman, Chairman of the Commission for the Elderly, recently hosted the results of the Conversation on Aging Study on Housing Program on September 21, 2015. They presented their findings (see attached) and answered questions from those present.
 - b. Discuss and take action regarding MOU for School Resource Officers – First Selectman Butterly explained that due to recent legislation the 2013 MOU would have to be amended and he handed a copy of the proposed addendum to the Selectmen. He read aloud concerns from Town Attorney Kaelin. MOTION: First Selectman Butterly moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding Addendum entitled RE: SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 14 subject to Town Attorney review. SECOND: Selectman Overton. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
 - c. First Selectman Butterly noted the recent resignation of the Assistant Assessor and distributed an amended job description for that position. MOTION: First Selectman Butterly moved to approve the Assistant Assessor job description as amended. SECOND: Selectman Overton. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

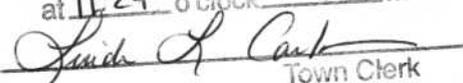
First Selectman Butterly read aloud notice of the recent award to the Woodbury Public Library of a Designated Endowment Fund thru the Connecticut Community Foundation from Ingrid J. Martland enabling the purchase of new books for all kindergarten-age children at Region 14 schools.

10. Correspondence – none.
11. Adjournment – MOTION: Selectman Overton moved to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. SECOND: Selectman Perkinson. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,



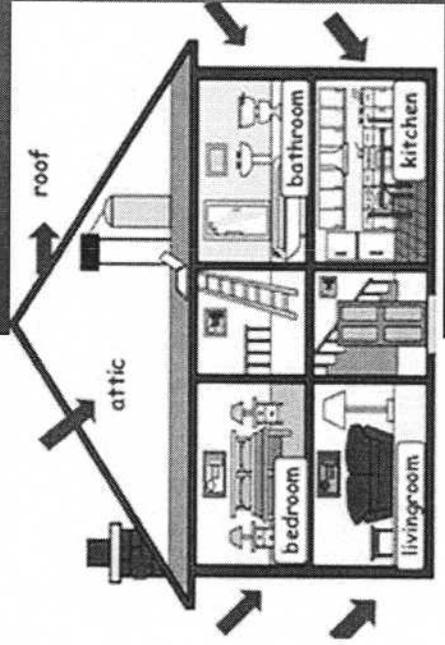
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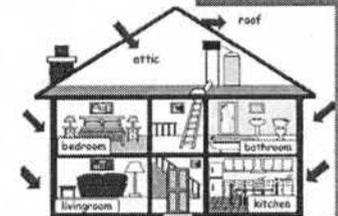
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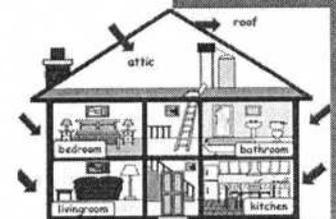
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- ◎ Q: How many people in Woodbury are 60 years old or older?



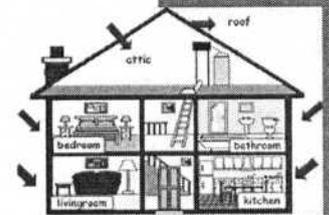
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- A: When we define seniors as 60+, the number as of the 2010 Census was 2,518, or 25.2% of the town's population.



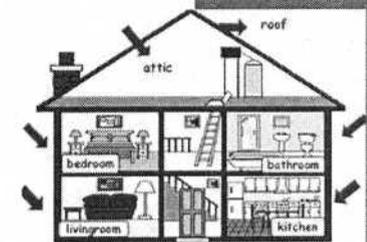
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- ◎ How many Woodbury residents are in the “next wave” of seniors (currently ages 50 -59?)



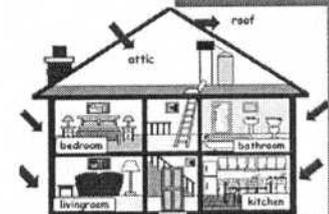
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- Interestingly, the “next wave” of Woodbury seniors, those age 50-59, represent another 18.7% of Woodbury’s population.



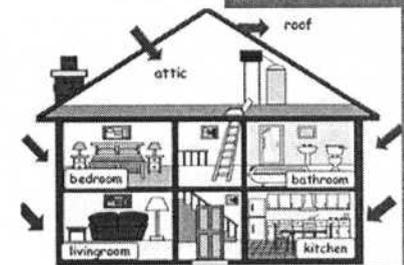
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So, if we look at the needs of those who are likely to age in Woodbury soon, or who are already over 60, that's 4,385 people, 43.9 % of the town's population.



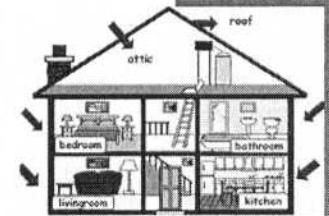
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- ◉ Q: Which were the fastest growing age demographic groups in Woodbury during that time?

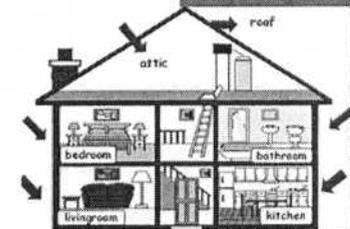
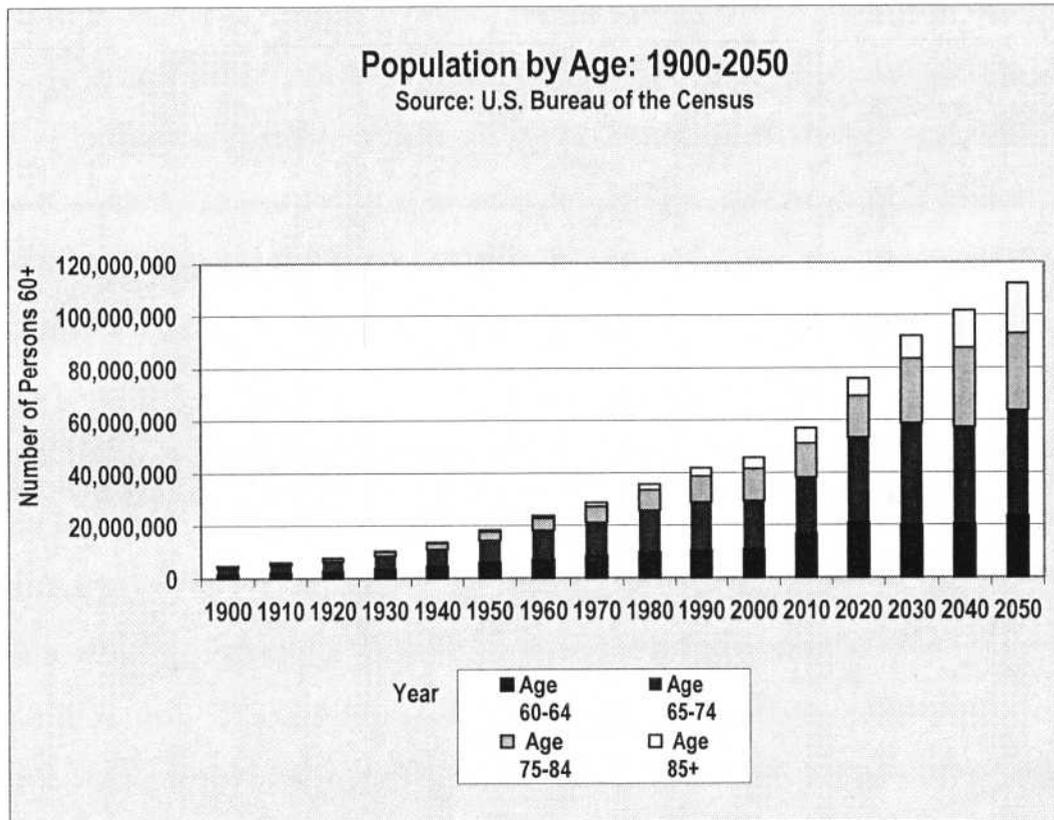


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- A: Seniors. The number of people age 62 and over grew by 52.99%. The fastest growing group of all Woodbury residents are those age 85 and older, which increased by a whopping 68.22% in a ten year span. These statistics are in keeping with those across the country. America, and Woodbury, are aging.



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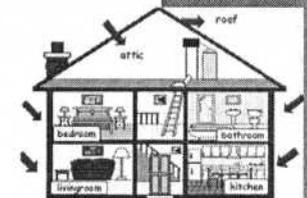
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◎ The Process

- 2 focus group sessions
- 1 print survey
- 1 online survey
- Participants included community leaders, seniors, real estate professionals, town planners, service providers, young families and family members of local seniors

◎ The Scope

- Focused questions to draw comment on needs for housing for older people at all income brackets
- Searching for innovation to meet those needs while also ensuring the community is healthy by attracting people at ALL ages



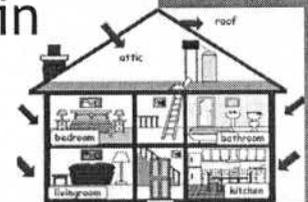
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◎ The Questions

- What is the status of housing for seniors in Woodbury right now?
 - Does Woodbury currently meet affordable senior housing needs?
 - What gaps are evident?
 - What barriers exist?

- What can Woodbury do to help seniors meet their need for affordable housing?
 - Who else should the Commission be talking to about housing?
 - What options should be considered?

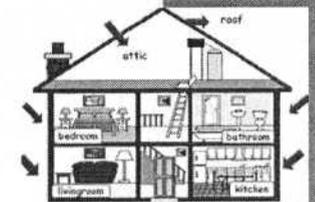
- What else would you like to learn regarding housing in Woodbury?



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◎ Results:

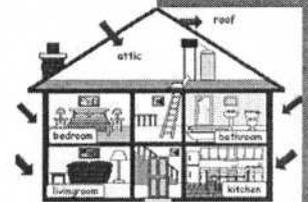
- Engaged audiences with good comments and ideas
- Opinions varied, as might be expected
- Most striking finding: 62% state that Woodbury does not currently meet affordable senior housing needs
- Many prefer to stay out of traditional senior housing, and want to stay at home. Help may be needed to manage that ability to stay at home as people age.



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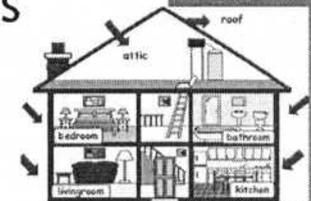
○ Identified Gaps

- Waiting lists for those who do need subsidized housing are too long (2-3 years)
- More affordable housing units needed - perhaps for all ages but good for seniors (i.e.- single floor living, grab bars in bathrooms, etc.)
- Need for programs to help seniors stay in their homes (i.e.- low cost assistance with repairs, lawn care, weatherization, etc.)
- Tax breaks could be meaningful for those on fixed income
- Need for a variety of options at different price levels
- Need for easy access to town services - centralized housing in town



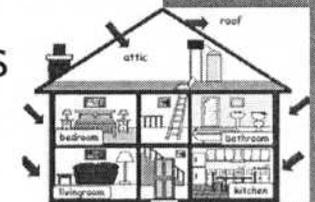
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- People want to know more about:
 - Currently available housing options in town
 - What works in other communities
 - Housing rules and regulations through HUD and other federal agencies
 - What plans does Woodbury have for the future
 - Town Center Design Study
 - Plans, if any, for assisted living, nursing home?
 - How to attract more young families to help balance the community
 - Zoning changes to encourage creative housing options



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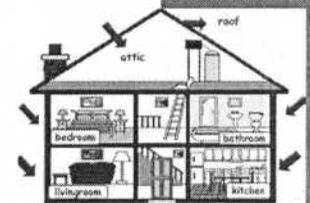
- Commission for the Elderly recommends:
 - Helping seniors remain in their own homes by:
 - Providing tax relief/liens
 - Providing home loan programs/grants to fix up homes
 - Creating chore service
 - Providing awareness regarding current housing options
 - Senior Services booklet lists town's housing options
 - Establishing more housing options by:
 - Reviewing zoning regulations to accommodate modifications to existing structures
 - Providing more options for "Step-down" housing to retain middle to affluent Woodbury taxpayers
 - Offering incentives to builders to construct senior-friendly designed homes or require percentage of new construction to be designated as affordable housing
 - Offering tax incentives to owners who make rental units handicapped accessible



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◎ Creative Housing Ideas

- Cohousing
- Home modification grants
- Student Housing
- Handyman Registry
- Concierge or “Village” services
- Deliberately planned multi-generational housing areas



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“Most importantly, it is recommended that affordable housing be established as a Town priority, so that the affordable housing needs of all residents are considered and a balanced approach to a healthy, vibrant community can be struck.”

