

**Livable Communities Committee  
Thursday, May 26, 2016, 7pm  
Flaherty Room Seymour Town Hall**

**Members present:** Saundra Gesek, Thomas LaPaglia (7:21 pm), Elizabeth Musto and Suzanne Reilly

**Members absent:** Karen Baker, Stephan Behuniak, Bonnie Wilkes

**Others present:** Jack Harkins – Community Police Officer

1. The meeting was **called to order** by Suzanne at 7:21pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – all present stood and recited the pledge.
3. **Public comment** – Suzanne read an e-mail correspondence from Joe Luciano regarding the ADA compliance and Accessibility of the downtown area especially noting the constructed “curb cuts” and “ramps”.
4. **Motion** was made by Betty to approve the April 28 minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom. Motion carried.
5. **Member's comments:** Suzanne reported that in recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day there will be a Uniform Fashion Show event to help safeguard the community from scams involving imposters. The event will be held at the Seymour Community Center on Wednesday, June 15 in collaboration with the Valley Senior Services Council. People's United Bank is pleased to partner with The Valley Senior Services Council and Comfort Keepers to provide a boxed lunch, and Shady Knoll to provide a continental breakfast. There will also be a Health & Wellness fair and raffle prizes. Donations to the Seymour/Oxford Food Bank will be accepted for admittance into the event. RSVP will be accepted through Lucy at the Senior Center or Kathleen @ TEAM.

It was also announced that there will be a Livable Communities Program at the Derby Senior Center on June 9th at 10am.

6. **New business:** Presentation, Officer John Harkins, Community Outreach, Seymour Police Department informed committee members about his involvement in the community. He talked about how the makeup of “senior” housing has changed. He works in the elementary schools doing various programs which are age appropriate. He, also, acknowledged the lack of parking in the downtown area.
7. **Old business:** Due to time constraints, the discussion on the Walking Tour and Parks update were tabled until the next meeting. Stephan's Sochrin's Park report was distributed for review at our next meeting.

8. Our agenda for the June 23, 2016 meeting was reviewed. Trisha A. Danka, Chairperson, Seymour's 10 year Strategic Planning Committee has agreed to present the town wide strategic plan at the meeting.
9. Public comment – there was no public comment.
10. Adjournment: A motion was made by Tom, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Betty to adjourn the meeting at 8:49pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Saundra Gesek  
Secretary