

Age-Friendly Community Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2026

- I. Attendance: Leroy Walker, Diane Vincent, Bill & Tina Eugley,, Dana Morrell, Frank and Diana Pippin, Robert Cavanagh, Sally Gagnon and Jan Biron on video call.
Absent: Belinda Gerry, Donnan Wallace, Ben Weisner
- II. Meeting opened at 5:30 p.m.
- III. Review of the February 10, 2026 minutes. Minutes were approved on a motion by Frank Pippin. Second by Diane Vincent. All in favor.
- IV. Movie – March 17, 2026 - “You’ve Got Mail.” Lunch & Learn with a speaker from Seniors Plus Re: Alzheimer’s Disease. Tina needs help to set up and break down.
- V. Trip Thoughts: Leroy has met with Phil Crowell, City Manager, and told him that we have some big plans for some Age-Friendly trips this year, using the Age-Friendly bus. We would do this on days when Jody doesn’t have any trips planned. This will probably start in June. There are a lot of issues involved. Jan asked how participants would pay for their Age-Friendly trips and if the money would be deposited into the Age-Friendly account. Other trip suggestions are in the February 10, 2026 minutes.
- VI. Grant update – Leroy met with Katie Boss, the grant writer for the City of Auburn, and she has submitted a grant application to AARP for \$15,000.00 for gardening, blueberry bushes, which we would like to plant at Camp Exchange Tot Lot. The bushes probably would not yield fruit for 3 years or so. Auburn Public Works could probably help us get them planted. Volunteers are needed. The City of Auburn already has a \$50,000.00 grant that we may be able to use.
- VII. Downtown Walk – Leroy would like members to meet on Main Street sometime this spring to take a walk and write down whatever issues they see that need to be addressed for safety or aesthetics in that area. Parking areas for seniors is still a concern.
- VIII. Money-Making (fund raising) ideas – current and future:
- A. Balloon Festival
 - B. Auburn Community Band Concerts – Concession
 - C. New Year’s Eve with the City of Auburn – Could we sell beverages?
 - D. National Night Out in August – How can we be part of it? Beverages?
 - E. Santa’s Arrival
 - F. Fourth of July – Hot dogs or popcorn
- IX. New Business
- A. Leroy would like to start a new senior citizens group that would be Age-Friendly Senior Citizens, housed out of the Auburn Senior Community Center. This group would meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Members would bring their own lunches, with speakers and Bingo would be available. The city manager is agreeable with our starting this group up.
 - B. Stove – the city believes it is fixed. Tina couldn’t get it to work on Monday, 3/9.
- X. Open Session – None
- XI. Adjournment on a motion by Frank Pippin. Second by Diane Vincent. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Larrabee on behalf of Jan Biron, Secretary (Thank you, Cindy!)
Typed by Jan Biron