

Senior Citizens Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 21, 2016

<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 4:05 In attendance Lori Vallee, Robin Reily, Maryelen Wielock, Al McGunnigle, Art Murelli & Tricia Twomey

Minutes of June Meeting:

The minutes from the May meeting were approved unanimously (Reily/Wielock).

<u>Public Comment:</u> First Selectman Ted Shafer has attended the meeting for the tax abatement discussion.

<u>Financial Report:</u> Tricia Twomey reported that budget is in good status at 19%. Discussion followed regarding future of Dial-A-Ride vehicles as they are getting older.

<u>Tax Abatement Presentation</u>: First Selectman Shafer explained that he was introducing this discussion to the Board of Finance and the Town Assessor within the next two weeks. They will need to look at the feasibility of each tax abatement plan to choose the best one for the seniors and the town. The commission as a whole stated that if they needed to be present at any of the meetings, please let them know.

<u>Summer Programs:</u> Tricia Twomey reviewed programs or the fall. Since September is National Senior Center Month, we will be having an ice cream social on Thursday, September 22nd at 2pm. We also are having our "Boo Bash" on October 28th at noon. All seniors are invited and asked to be wearing costumes! Prizes will be awarded.

<u>Any Other Business:</u> Commissioner Vallee discussed the need for wellness check in storms and bad weather. Discussion followed regarding seniors in storms, and Director Twomey will ask Ron Roberts, our town's emergency management director, to our October meeting.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 pm (Murelli/Vallee/Unanimous).

Next Meeting: October 19, 2016

Respectfully submitted by Tricia Twomey