Senior Citizens Commission Meeting Wednesday, February 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

In attendance: Al McGunnigle, Jim Millerick, Lori Vallee, Laura Chandler and Tricia Twomey.

The minutes from the January meeting were read and reviewed.

Public Comment: none

<u>Financial Report</u>: Tricia reported that due to a van that needs immediate repair we may go over budget on vehicle maintenance.

The Board of Finance has not called Tricia in yet to discuss the budget. It seems likely that there will be cuts to all towns due to the state's ongoing fiscal challenges.

<u>Tax Abatement Follow-up</u>: the proposal is to freeze taxes for Seniors so that they will know that there taxes will remain steady for a certain amount of time.

A discussion followed concerning the mill rate and how it is established.

The fate of the tax abatement proposal will be determined by the Board of Finance.

The budget is voted on in May and can be amended up until then.

Winter Programs: The casino trip had a good response.

The Valentine luncheon was postponed until March 1 due to bad weather. 25 people are signed up for it.

Tai Chi is doing well. The Craft and Chat group has met without a leader and is going okay so far.

The potluck on Friday is for the members who have paid the annual \$5 fee. It is not open to non-members.

Emergency Management for Seniors: Tricia will be at the Potluck Luncheon helping people complete the Everbridge sign- up sheets then will turn them over to Ron Roberts to add to the data base. If Ron requires any help she will ask us to pitch in.

<u>New Business</u>: Tricia has advertised for a part-time temporary van driver. Drivers average about 15 hours a week and their shifts can be flexible.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Chandler