Town of Burlington

Senior Citizens Commission Meeting Wednesday, January 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 4:05.

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

The minutes from the November meeting were read and approved.

<u>Public Comment:</u> 5 people came forward to express their discontent about transportation to Tai-Chi and Bingo being discontinued. Sue Day, Shirley Vortisch, Carol Marsh and Tina Gomes introduced themselves to the Commission. Robyn Chase, representing her mother, presented a letter outlining their concerns. Discussion followed.

While we are in complete agreement with them, Tricia explained that there are not enough funds to fill requests for medical appointments and all activities. She explained that there will still be Dial-A-Ride for the monthly social and for every other week shopping. She will be working on securing more grant money. She also commented that Burlington residents are fortunate that the area for medical appointments is not limited like other towns.

<u>Financial Report:</u> Tricia reported that the budget is at 50% usage and the payroll for the Dial-A-Ride drivers is at 78%. The maintenance budget is at 72%.

<u>Survey discussion:</u> We reviewed the results of the survey and discussed the presentation that will be made to the Board of Selectmen. The results will also be presented at the March meeting at the Senior Center. We want them to know that we heard their concerns and appreciate their feedback.

New Business: Tricia reported on various activities at the Senior Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15. The next meeting will be February 18. Respectfully submitted by Laura Chandler.

