

Senior Citizens Commission Meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 4:02.

In attendance: Tricia Twomey, Maryelen Weilock, Lori Vallee, Jim Millerick, Laura Chandler, Art Murelli and Al McGunnigle. Also, in attendance were two LSM students, Molly Muldey and Taylor Copeland who came to observe.

The minutes from the January meeting and the February special meeting were read and approved.

Public Comment: None

<u>Financial Report:</u> Tricia reported that we are at 81% of the budget and the payroll budget is already at 99% due to the increase in Dial-A-Ride requests.

<u>Survey discussion:</u> We discussed Al McGunnigle's presentation to the BOS and all agreed it went very well. The next step is to go to the Board of Finance meeting to show our commitment to the proposed budget increase. Tricia will let us know the date of the meeting. She will speak on the need for a part-time Senior Center Coordinator and more funds for Dial-A-Ride.

We also discussed when the best time would be to present the survey results to the Seniors.

It was agreed we would go to the April 17th Social so we have the best chance of meeting with a large audience. Tricia will prepare a flyer to be sent out announcing that the presentation will be before the social.

Art suggested we put a poster at the entrance of the auditorium at the referendum also.

<u>New Business:</u> Lori asked if charging for Dial-A-Ride would help. Tricia agreed that it would help a little but not alleviate the budget problem. She asked if doing a fund-raiser such as a spaghetti supper would be feasible but it was decided that that would be a last resort

Tricia and Maryelen said the St. Pat's Bingo at LSM was a big success.

Tricia reviewed some of the spring programs.



Art told our visiting students that his goal has always been to do some interactive outreach programs to get the high school students and seniors working together.

Maryelen brought up that there are people in town who need to have their garbage cans taken to the street and back for them. The larger cabs can be very heavy to roll.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Chandler.

Next Meeting: April 15