

SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE
Council on Aging
October 9, 2012

Committee members present: Rebecca MacGregor and Anne Gilbert. Also attending: Julie Secord (COA Director).

Committee members not present: Steve Colella, Lillian Mills, Bill Zellen, Pat Nelson, Kara Harvey, Pauline diCesare.

Public Comment: Don Buston attended our meeting and asked if there is any way to identify which Wayland seniors are in need of tax relief? Since the town only has access to property values and not other financial information, we really do not have that ability. Seniors need to apply for tax relief and give their financial information to see whether they would qualify for tax relief.

Since we had so few people attending the meeting and did not have a quorum, we used the time to discuss ways of getting information to seniors about the tax exemptions that are now offered. One suggestion was to write up a one page, user friendly flier that would be available to seniors. Each exemption would have a sheet to define it and how one would qualify for it. Another suggestion was to do a trifold piece telling about the Senior Tax Relief Committee and what we do that could be put in a tax bill or sent in a separate mailing. Julie also suggested putting that information in the COA newsletter as a flier insert.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30.

The next meeting of the committee will be Tuesday, December 11, at noon. Julie will send out a reminder before the meeting.