

SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

March 2, 2015

Attending: Steve Colella, Joan Bradford, Linwood Bradford, Pauline diCesare, Rebecca MacGregor, and Anne Gilbert. Also attending was Julie Secord, director of COA.

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00PM.

There was no public comment.

Rebecca went over with the committee the letter that we had written to our state legislators and would be presenting to the Selectmen that evening. In the letter we are requesting that the state legislature take a look at state law Chapter 59 Sec. 5 Clause 41C and make the income and asset limits for applicants more current. We are hoping to get the approval and support of the selectmen for our letter.

We adjourned our meeting to go to the Selectmen's Hearing Room. Rebecca presented the background for our letter and the reasons we chose to write it. The selectmen present (Cherry Karlson, Mary Antes, and Edward Collins) voted to support our letter and asked that the town administrator include a letter saying that the selectmen endorsed our efforts. We then returned to our meeting in the COA meeting room.

In the COA meeting room we brought our meeting back to order at 7:20PM.

The minutes of our November 12, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

Joan and Linwood Bradford reported to us that they had gone to the MCOA meeting in Westwood on November 19th, but no one else was there to meet.

We talked about our need to work again on the cards we are hoping to make final to give people about tax relief options that the town offers. Julie said she would talk to Ellen Brideau about where that stands.

Julie also told us that the Valor Act will be presented at town meeting to budget \$15,000.00 for up to 30 veterans of any age to participate in a tax work-off program.

Our next meeting will be May 13, 2015 at 7:00PM.

Our meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Gilbert (Clerk)