SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

JUNE 13, 2018

Attending: Linwood Bradford, Joan Bradford, Pauline DiCesare, Anne Gilbert, and Julie Secore (COA Director).

Absent: Steve Colella and Rob Weiland.

The meeting was brought to order by Linwood Bradford at 7:05 PM. There was no public comment. The minutes of the April 11, 2018 meeting of the board were corrected and then accepted as amended.

There has not been a meeting of the MCOA for several months. Julie offered to find out what is happening with that committee.

The Valor Act is still a bit undefined so Julie has not been able to finalize the card for that tax relief benefit. Only one person was processed through that program last year. The new tax assessor will be the person to define the program since the payments for the work done come from the overlay in that department.

Julie Secore told us that there is a review being done of the wording of the 2008 Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting which was done to increase the Circuit Breaker matching amount for the town to be in line with state increases. She also told us that the tax work-off program overseen by COA is going very well with next year's group of up to 40 people being finalized in late June. The program places people in different departments of the town and seems to work very well.

Pauline DiCesare inquired about the Sudbury tax relief program for seniors and found out that the qualifications are being 65 or older, having lived in Sudbury for at least 10 years, paying no more than 10% of Circuit Breaker qualifying income plus Circuit Breaker credit from the state, and not having assets of over \$850,000.00 (excluding the Sudbury domicile).

The next meeting of our committee will be Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Our meeting was adjourned by Linwood at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted, Anne Gilbert (Clerk)