TOWN OF WAYLAND - TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF TOWN BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

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Password: 155344

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To make a public comment by telephone, dial 508 358 6812. The phone number will be active druing the public comment portion of the meeting.

NAME OF BOARD/COMM: SENIOR TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE

FILED BY: Markey Burke, STR Chair DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday, January 12, 2021

TIME OF MEETING: 10am

PLACE OF MEETING: Zoom Meeting – Remote Participation

<u>NOTE:</u> Notices and agendas are to be posted at least 48 hours in advance of the meetings <u>excluding</u> Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. Please keep in mind the Town Clerk's business hours of operation and make the necessary arrangements to be sure this notice is received and stamped in an adequate amount of time.

AGENDA

Please note: Agenda items may not be discussed in the order listed or at times identified. Times are approximate.

Per changes to the Open Meeting Law, notice of any meeting of a public body shall include "A listing of topics that the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting". AG's Office guidelines state that the list of topics shall have sufficient specificity to reasonably advise the public

- 1. Roll Call of Senior Tax Relief Board Members in Attendance (10am)
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT 10:05am
- 3. Review minutes of the November 17, 2020 Board Meeting Edit as need for motion to approve by roll call vote.
- 4. Update on Circuit Breaker (Julie Secord, COA Director) 10:05am
- 5. Update on informational insert in Feb. 2021 Property Tax bills (Julie Secord, COA Director) 10:05am
- 6. Status of Senior tax Work Off program and Valor Act Property Tax Work-Off for veterans (Julie Secord, Dir)
- 7. Review charge of Senior Tax Relief Committee as established by the Board of Selectmen on Nov. 16, 1998: The Board of Selectmen voted to form the Senior Tax Relief Committee to identify and develop strategies for the Town and legislature to ease the property tax burden on Wayland residents age 65 and over.
 - a) Discuss strategies employed by area communities for tax relief. 10:15
 - b) Discuss Wayland Tax Deferral program as presently structured. 10:25 https://www.wayland.ma.us/assessors-office/pages/clause-41a-deferral
 - c) Discuss adding a surrogate component to Senior Tax Work Off program that would allow a qualifying resident who is physically unable to do the work be allowed to have a representative who would complete the assignment and have the credit earned by the surrogate applied to the senior's property tax liability. Vote to support the initiative.
 - d) Evaluate STR past initiatives including info cards on statutory exemptions
 - e) Prioritize STR Initiatives 10:50
- 8. TOPICS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED 48 hours in advance of meeting (10:50am)
- 9. ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING (11:00am)
- 10. MOTION TO ADJOURN with Roll Call Vote (11:05am)