

Preston Senior Affairs Committee

The January 18, 2022 teleconference Budget Workshop was called to order by Chairman Mary Lou Jensen at 12:40 p.m. Members in attendance included Mary Lou Jensen, Elizabeth Bassette, Marie Perrin, Morris Fishbone and Frances Minor.

Much discussion transpired regarding C.O.L.A. for part-time staff, expanding senior center hours of operation, vehicle repairs and telecommunication expenditures. F. Minor will contact the Selectman's Office again regarding their proposed cost of living adjustment for employees.

A slight increase to the Repairs and Maintenance line item 74-4400-4400-5445 has been recommended. The repairs on the 2006 Ford bus were a major drain on this line item. A request for a replacement vehicle was made to the Board of Selectmen. A state grant is currently being investigated for the replacement of the 2006 Ford bus.

Additionally, discussion surfaced regarding the need for kitchen repairs at the senior center which are necessary to meet Uncas Health District requirements. If the repairs cannot be accomplished within this Fiscal Year, an increase to line item 74-4400-4400-5610 Program Supplies in the amount of \$5,000.00 will be requested.

The Committee will schedule an additional Budget Workshop on Wednesday, January 26th at 12:30 p.m. at which time they will review all new information and finalize the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget request.

M. Fishbone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:54 p.m. Motion seconded by M. Perrin. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted by,

Frances Minor