

Minutes
Human Services Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 6:00PM
Via Zoom

Board Members Present: Shelby Auletta, Michelle Bailey, Brian Corbin, Erin Gaudet, Sydney Robinson, Alan Samet, Amanda Stevens, Gerry Vece, Jane Scully Welch

Board Members Absent: Donielle Didiano

Staff Members Present: David Melillo, Carol Sanzero

Meeting called to order at 6:03PM by E. Gaudet.

Chairperson's Remarks: 1. E. Gaudet noted that M. Bailey participated in the NYC Marathon; Michelle raised \$6,000 individually and her team raised \$75,000 for YMCA camps and other activities. 2. She also remarked that if there are issues with schools or other town offices and the board cannot help, the issue needs to be brought to the attention of said department. We need to be respectful of other departments and all work together for the benefit of the town. 3. Erin informed the board that S. Auletta won an award from CAPP for her Prevention in Clinton efforts.

Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting October 19, 2021: Motioned by J. Scully Welch, seconded by M. Bailey passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: 1. D. Melillo commented that budgets are in line for this time of year. 2. Donation checks were received from Amy Morrissey, 4 Kids Cookies (\$350 + 100 cookies for the Clinton Cares event) and Fish Tale (\$250). E. Gaudet would like thank-you notes sent as soon as possible and we need to follow up with K. Edwards to make sure other sponsors of the Clinton Cares event received thank-you notes and maybe publish a letter to the editor/ad in the Harbor News. 3. Haunted Hallways raised \$728.50 for Social Services, \$1000.00 for PiC scholarships, and \$500 for snacks/food at events that grants don't cover.

Correspondence: D. Melillo noted that K. Edwards sent a thank-you note to the Superintendent of Schools for the use of the school. Maryann commended Kelley and the amazing student leadership for the Haunted Hallways event.

Director's Report: 1. Energy assistance and Holiday assistance are top programs now. C. Church is fairly well set with volunteers, Amazon Wish List, etc. 2. Rebecca Nazario has been hired as a part-time seasonal (bilingual) employee and has started this week. 3. J. Paglino is working with Keri Hagness on school programs.

Parent Presentation – How to Talk to Children About an Unexpected Death (presentation following this meeting). Featuring Ann Dagle, Jennifer Blakesley from 2-1-1, and Marie Pinette.

FY22-23 Budget: 1. D. Melillo is working on the FY22/23 budget narrative. 2. He will request the two part time assistant positions be made full time. 3. Discussion was had regarding discretionary funds for

Social Services and agreed by all that the amount should be increased from \$5,000 to \$15,000. Motion to amend amount to \$15,000 by E. Gaudet, seconded by A. Samet passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45PM

Respectfully submitted by C. Sanzero