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HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Monday, April 9, 2018

Minutes of the Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Sue Stack, Chairman at 6:07 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Stack, Richard Petrucci, Teresa Cavanagh, Jaime Foster, Hocine Baouche

OTHERS PRESENT: Joy Hollister, Director, Human Services; Tina Modzelewski, Administrative Secretary, Human Services, Diane Lasher-Pente, Director, Youth Services

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. February 12, 2018 regular meeting

MOVED (FOSTER), SECONDED (BAUCHE), AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2018 REGULAR MEETING.
ABSTAINED: THERESA CAVANAGH AND RICHARD PETRUCCI

CITIZENS' FORUM: None

NEW BUSINESS: Diane Lasher-Pente addressed concerns Jaime Foster had brought up over the results of a student survey given to 7th and 8th grade students. The biggest concern was regarding "sexting" and the percentage of female students feeling pressured to send messages. Youth Services will collaborate with the Board of Education to send out information to parents.

Jaime Foster mentioned there is a government program available that provides snacks for eligible children attending summer camps. She will contact Bob Tedford, Recreation Director regarding this program.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: VITA tax services were offered for the first time and the program went well.

The Energy Assistance program is winding down, the deadline is May 1st.

April is Fair Housing Month and a public notice has been published in the *Journal Inquirer*. Joy and Anna will be attending a Hoarding Conference in May.

Youth Services – Preparation is underway for the April 21st variety show sponsored by Rise Above, as well as the Rugged Farmer obstacle fun run that will be held on April 22nd. The summer program flyer will be coming out in May.

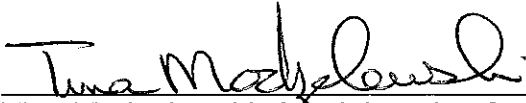
Senior Center – New summer programs are being offered and will appear in the monthly newsletter. The senior center will be offering outdoor games at the Earth Day celebration on April 21st.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A decision was made on how to use the memorial contribution in memory of Marie Williamson. Joy will present the idea to Lori Spielman, First Selectman and provide an update.

The full-time Administrative Secretary position for Human Services/Recreation has been offered to someone and they will start in the beginning of May.

The budget process is underway and the public meeting will be held on April 10th.

ADJOURNMENT: MOVED (FOSTER), SECONDED (PETRUCCI) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL THOSE PRESENT TO ADJOURN AT 7:10 P.M.

Submitted by: 
Tina Modzelewski, Administrative Secretary,
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