

# Minutes of the Human Services Board of Director's meeting of January 11, 2012.

## **1. Roll Call**

Present: Diane Candido, Alan Chapin, Paul Geer, Kitty Nelson, Rev. Deutzmann, MaryLou Kecko, Donna Nunno and Sue Stango.

Absent: Gary Johnson and Donna Nunno.

Also Present: Lisa Diamond Graham and Melissa Dubiel.

Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## **2. Minutes**

A motion was made by Geer, seconded by Chapin to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented and carried unanimously.

## **3. Staff Report**

- New board member Sue Stango was introduced and welcomed. Informational packets were distributed and an overview of the department was discussed.
- Stats for December were reviewed. Human Services – assisted 682 people with holiday food baskets; 203 people with the Holiday Adopt A Family Gift Program; 221 Energy appointments as well as an additional 162 people with case management services. It has been extremely busy. Youth Services – 215 clients are engaged in family therapy; three separate groups are running at Boy's and Girl's Club (one parent and two youth groups). The Board of Education satellite program is up and running at 4 schools which includes both family and group therapy. Partnership with the Milford Prevention Council is ongoing and very active. A small grant is being applied for to reduce tobacco use among teens. The Juvenile Diversion Program with the Police Department has begun receiving referrals and will be starting the first group. A \$500.00 grant/check was received from Milford Bank to assist families with essentials; prescription co-pays, toiletries, winter clothing, gas, etc.
- The State Department of Social Services did their annual review. Staff was interviewed; files were reviewed, fiscal, reporting and programs. This went well, there were no issues. Geer asked that a copy of this report be requested as it may be helpful information to have.
- The Board of Finance budget meeting will be on 2/9/12.

## **4. Fiscal Report**

A motion was made by Geer, seconded by Candido to accept the financial report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. New Business**

**Budget -** Lisa met with the Mayor and the issue of employee benefits has not been resolved. After some discussion, the board would like a copy of the ordinance regarding benefits to review and recommended a meeting with the City Attorney.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit

MaryLou Kecko, Secretary