

Minutes of the Human Services Board of Director's meeting of June 10, 2015.

1. Roll Call

Present: Kitty Nelson, Karen Barnett, Joan Campbell, Rev. Duetzmann, Scott Moulton, Donna Nunno and Sue Stango.

Absent: Alan Chapin and MaryLou Kecko.

Also Present: Lisa Diamond-Graham and Beth Simpson.

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

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Minutes

A motion was made by Barnett, seconded by Stango to accept the minutes of the May meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Staff Report

641 clients participated in prevention based programs that were provided last month and 373 clients were treated in therapy. 118 clients received case management services, 18 people applied for Renters Rebate, 41 residents received funds from the grants written such as FEMA and the Neighbor to Neighbor for food assistance and utilities (not part of the Energy Program). 35 food referrals were made to the Milford Food Bank and 3 to the Soup Kitchen at Beth El. Other financial assistance that were able to be obtained via collaborations and partnerships as a result of outreach assessments were to prevent 28 people from losing their UI or SCG with a shut off, obtain furniture, stay in a hotel when they were homeless and couldn't find shelter, assist 19 people with signing up for SNAP benefits, referrals to Employment and Training for the Nurse's Aide Program, to find other employment or help with their resumes. Referrals were also made for people to get diapers.

Beth has been working diligently to close out the accounts for the end of year.

Both the regular and the enhancement grant applications from the State Department of Education have been received. Lisa has completed them and returned them to the State. The funding levels are uncertain but have no longer been zeroed out from the budget.

The Renters Rebate Program has started with appointments in the office but not at the housing sites as of yet. The Senior Farmers Market Food Vouchers have not been received yet. It is anticipated that they will be received by the end of the month.

Many of the Satellite Therapy from the schools will be transferring over to the office during the summer, still at no cost to the families, so that there is no break in services.

All other programs are status quo.

5. Old Business

The sneaker program is coming along. Christie and Brandon have been reaching out for donations to City Departments. Moulton asked if the redistricting of schools would have any affect on this. Lisa stated that the kids that have been identified for this year will be served. If more funds are raised it can then be expanded to other schools or grades.

Nelson reported that she and Nunno will be meeting with the Mayor on 6/30/15 at 9:30 a.m. and Lisa was asked to join them.

A motion was made by Rev. Duetzmann, seconded by Nunno to enter Executive Session at 5:50 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Rev. Duetzmann, seconded by Barnett to leave Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

6. New Business

Nelson appointed Stango as the Nominating Committee.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit

MaryLou Kecko, Recording
Secretary