

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BORAD

October 15, 2020



CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The October 15, 2020 Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB) meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Ms. Bridgette Tuttle. Ms. Rachel Adams facilitated roll call.

Attendees:

Board Members

Tony Balk
Jim Bloss

Sarah Lunstrum
Amber Mehta

Lynsey Gagnon
James Harrigan
Bryan Lipsy

Aisha Sial
Bridgette Tuttle

City of Monroe

Rachel Adams
Tyler Christian
Deborah Knight
Shana Restall
Ben Swanson
Willow Russell

Members

Todd Strickler

Amy Plumb

Absent:

Jose Luis Nino De Guzman
Roger Evans

Community Members:

St. Mary of the Valley

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Balk made the motion to approve the CHSAB meeting minutes from 10.01.2020 & Member Bloss seconded.

Meeting minutes approved: 9 Yes/0 No

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Knight reviewed the Purpose of the Community Human Services Advisory Board.

Ms. Adams led the ice breaker/getting to know each other conversation.

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NEW BUSINESS

Willow Russell, EnviroIssues Consultant gave an overview of her work with the City to produce a communications plan for Human Services. This plan includes updates to the City website and a social media campaign modeled after the Humans of New York campaign. Currently the stories have been highlighting Acts of Kindness during the Pandemic. Ms. Russell encouraged members to help collect stories that have a people focus and to submit pictures with stories to City Staff. Ms. Russell also began to discuss the Ambassadors Program.

Member Harrigan shared that he saw the power in this plan and how it can be used for good.

Member Lipsy requested that the plan celebrate people who have broken the cycle of homelessness.

Member Bloss posed the question of how to go about doing this in a virtual world? Suggested reaching out to organizations to help spread the word.

Member Mehta requested a "one stop" volunteer platform for people who wanted to get involved.

Member Tuttle suggested a template for collecting stories.

Shana Restall, City of Monroe Principal Planner gave a presentation on the Interim Temporary Encampment Code. This code needs to be adopted to bring the City into alignment with the State. The Planning Commission has a meeting on October 26, 2020 for Public Comment to collect feedback.

Member Balk asked if a non-religious organization can host a temporary encampment?

Member Balk also requested a timeline for this issue.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Next Meeting 11/5 (6-7:30pm)

ADJOURNMENT

Member Harrigan made the motion to adjourn, Member Balk seconded: Motion passed 9/0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.