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HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, January 30, 2023

Ellington Human Services

31 Arbor Way

6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Stack, Lenora Williams, Debi Newton, Deanna Wambolt-Gulick

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Stack, Director of Human Services; Stephen Clapp, Elderly Outreach Social Worker; Kelly Hearn, Recording Secretary; Melinda Ferry, Board of Selectman.

1. **Call to Order:** Susan Stack, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:12PM.

2. **Approval of Minutes:** December 12, 2022

MOVED (WILLIAMS) SECONDED (NEWTON) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 12, 2022 MEETING.

3. **Citizens' Forum:** None

4. **Director's Report:**

a.) New Elderly Outreach Social Worker- Stephen Clapp

Stephen Clapp introduced himself as the new Elderly Outreach Social Worker and is excited to work with the Ellington Community.

b.) Apartment Mailing

Rebecca shared that the labels are ready, and that this mailing should be going out in the next week or so.

c.) Review Holiday Program

Rebecca Stack gave a report on the Christmas portion of the holiday program. She provided statistics the compared participation in 2022 and 2021. There was an increase in the following participation: Christmas assistance to children/families, Christmas assistance to elderly/disabled, and a significant increase in the number of energy applications completed at this point

compared to the past year. Rebecca also reported the number of emergency fuel deliveries that have been completed so far this winter season.

d.) Miscellaneous

Rebecca shared that the Youth Services Director Diane Lasher-Penti will be leaving for another position. This led to a discussion on counseling in Ellington and what is available for youth and adults and if that is something that this department should consider going forward.

Rebecca also mentioned that she is currently working on the budget with the finance department and that she will talk more about this once it is complete.

Lenora gave a report on the Diversity and Inclusion Ad Hoc and what they have been working on recently. This group was going to have a book club, but this will be postponed until further notice.

5. New Business:

a. Review of Community Survey questions

Members decided to put this survey on hold for the time being.

6. Adjournment:

MOVED (NEWTON), SECONDED (WILLIAMS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJORN THE MEETING AT 7:20 PM.

Submitted By:

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Kelly Hearn, Recording Secretary