## TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT

Community Health Committee

Meeting minutes/CHC

Meeting Place: Richard H. Smith/Deep River Town Hall

Meeting date: Tuesday February 6, 2024 at 5:32p.m.

The meeting of the Community Health Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by chairperson Tracey Woodcock, at the Deep River Town Hall. Members present were Chairperson Tracey Woodcock, Vice-Chairperson Lori Gregan, Secretary Betsy Scholfield, Treasurer Jackie Calamari, David Blifford. Absent members were, Nancy Howard, Joyce Berardis and Nancy McGee.

Secretary Report: Report was read and motion made to accept the report by Lori Gregan and seconded by Jackie Calamari.

Treasurer Report: Fund balance as of 1/22/24 = \$127,392.55 includes \$103.88 interest

December balance = \$131,284.79 with a difference of \$3,892.24

## **Expenses:**

Backpack= \$607.70 Food Pantry= \$228 Christmas gifts \$73.34 – Food purchased, \$2678 – Carol Jones for multiple expenses over late summer and fall, \$300 p water bill for client, \$381 – Adam's vouchers

Total = \$4,269.46

Fiscal year Expenses

Social Services = \$6,961.34, Backpack Program - \$1,441.03

Total = \$8,402.37

Motion was made by Lori and seconded by Tracey

**Backpack Program** – Town Hall staff is doing backpacks for the month of February. We are using the Town Halls Amazon account to order food for our program.

Food Pantry - David said Clinton Food Pantry and the Connecticut Food Bank is held on Wednesday 3:30 – 6:30. They service several towns. David and Jackie will go down and visit the site to see how it's run and find better ideas for our food pantry. We are looking to purchase a refrigerator to give items such as: milk, eggs, butter. Jackie is redoing the forms for the food pantry. They are outdated.

A motion was made by Lori and seconded by Tracey to have Jackie do this task.

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A Posting for the part time person for the food Pantry is being posted.

We are having an issue with clients walking into our overflow pantry instead of the Pantry Closet and we are looking to lock the door and have better security. The clients are taking more than the allowed amount of food.

David is looking reaching out to Sandy Boss regarding Easter baskets for the Backpack program.

We are doing another round up program in mid June with Adams.

## OTHER BUSINESS:

Fundraising: Touch a Truck and a scavenger hunt for family day are being looked into. Buy a card for Trucks and get a reward for checking them off. The new school if opening at the old Citizens Bank building. We need to reach out to the director to get he involved in our town.

We are looking at using the town hall auditorium for a music activity for some other programs for fundraisers.

Membership Bi-Laws: Jackie will be reading through the Bi-Laws and will make the corrections we discussed.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Lori and seconded by David.

Meeting adjourned: 6:26pm

Respectfully submitted

**Betsy Scholfield** 

Secretary