

TOWN OF DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT
Community Health Committee



Minutes for March 19, 2013 meeting of the CHC

Date: March 19, 2013 - Tuesday
Place: Town Hall, Deep River, CT
Time: 7:30 pm

Attendees: Kate Bender, Maura Carver, Cindy Cosme, Nancy Howard, Janet Klinck, Grace Krick, Diane Recchia,

Agenda

- 1) Call to Order by Vice Chairwoman Janet Klinck at 7:32 PM
- 2) Approval of minutes from January 2013 meeting (Feb meeting was cancelled). Motion made to approve by Grace Krick, seconded by Kate Bender. All in favor none opposed.
- 3) Financial report reviewed, no discussion.
- 4) Old Business:
 - a) Review finances: DR Community Fund, Memorial Fund, expenditures and income
 - b) Upcoming events review:
 - Blood Pressure checks in conjunction with Lion's Club – Grace is in charge of this event.
 - Event date is Tuesday, March 26 from 4-7 at DRCC (liaison with Lion's Club is Art Davies at DR Hardware)
 - This is set but needs to be "manned". Maura and Diane will assist.
 - Grace will contact Russ for the banner and flyers.
- 5) Cruiser Nights Food Drives (Tuesdays in June – August)
 - a) Contact the organizer to see if there is a newsletter or monthly e-mail that we can have a blurb put in about our collections.
 - b) Popsicle Nights at DR Concert locations and times TBD
 - Janet contacted Miriam Morrissey, the concert schedule is not out yet but we can set up a table as long as it does not conflict with another group
- 6) Fundraising: Committee members present at the meeting would like to limit fundraising activities to 1 per year. We need to carefully select an event that will reap the most profit.
 - a) August 17th DRCC Flea Market, Table/area in August 17th at church flea market, tag sale style

- Someone would need to take the lead on this, no volunteers noted
- Discussion that setting up a 'tag sale' style table may be redundant. Others said it wouldn't matter.

b) 'Soup For You'

- The group would like to look to early November.

c) Donation mailings

- We will stuff envelopes at our April
- Pre-printed outer and reply envelopes received
- The envelope stuffing will be at the Deep River Town Hall

6) New Business

a) VNLV news

- New Member - Paul Thornwall
- Resignation – Andrew
- Member for Approval – Grace Krick, Claire T
- Agency is doing well under new leadership, no concerns to report.
- New logo and branding, revised website

b) Food Pantry

- Rosie Bining reports that food pantry is low on food, Maura will obtain list from Rosie of what the pantry needs
- Janet will contact Gerry Nolan at DRCC to see if food collection will continue.
- Diane will contact DRES to see if they would be willing to do an annual food drive
- Confirmed that with an Adam's that their gifts card can be used to purchase anything. The group would like to re-think how we use the gift cards
- Brainstorm on ways to stock perishable items freezer/refrigerator.
- Nancy will reach out to Town Hall about putting an announcement on the website home page regarding the food shortage and about having food donations dropped off at Town Hall
- Grace will ask Adam's if we can set up a box to collect food donations
- Goal to get the food pantry recipient's to eat healthier. Have healthy recipes posted at the Food Pantry. Create a meal in a bag' that includes all the ingredients for one meal, include the recipe and the cost breakdown. Further discussion needed.

c) FISH Donation(s) for 2013, Motion made by Diane Recchia to make a \$500 donation, seconded by Maura Carver. All in favor, none opposed

d) Motion made to change meeting location back to the Town Hall because we are more visible at the Town Hall vs. the Social Services office. Motion tabled to the April meeting.

- 4) Motion to adjourn by Diane Recchia, seconded by Nancy Howard. Meeting adjourned by Vice Chairwoman Janet Klinck at 8:48PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Cosme, Secretary
(March 25, 2013)