## Litchfield Prevention Council Regular Meeting Town Hall Annex, Bantam May 12, 2015 7:00 PM

**Present:** Robert Berson, Nicholas Fitzgerald, Kelly Garden, Meredith Shafer, Kevin Tieman

**Excused:** Dana Moore, Marion Pettinicchi

E. Bauer arrived at 7:45.

Also Present: Betsy Fabbri, Allison Fulton

<u>Call to Order:</u> Kevin Tieman, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Appointment of Alternates:** None

<u>Public Comment:</u> K. Garden relayed that Betsy Fabbri sent her an article relevant to suicide prevention/awareness and discussed how social media/Instagram influences the way tenens perceive peers and themselves. Members agreed to view the article to determine if it would be shared on our Facebook page and website.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> N. Fitzgerald moved to approve the minutes of April 7, 2015, seconded by K.Garden, all ayes, motion passed. R. Berson moved to approve the minutes of April 21, 2015, seconded by N. Fitzgerald, all ayes, motion passed.

<u>Treasurer Report:</u> Balance is \$4,718.84 as of May 12, 2015. Check from the Jr. Women's Club was received and K. Garden will send a thank-you note.

## **Old Business:**

<u>Sarah Panzau Presentation</u>: K. Garden reported on the presentation. Sarah received a standing ovation from the students. It was well received and E. Bauer received an email from Kristen DellaVolpe commenting that the students stated how genuine and real the messages were and that it was more than just "Don't Drink & Drive".

## **New Business:**

<u>The Smoke House:</u> K. Garden stated that she would be obtaining information about Southington's ordinance regarding the sale of paraphernalia from a local gas station/convenience store. Once that is received she will give members a copy for further discussion.

<u>Vision Plan:</u> Planning program was introduced and explained by Allison Fulton. Discussion included membership of council, meetings, ability to assess community needs, projects and initiatives, long and short term goals, create a visioning group and fundraising goals. More discussion was needed and council will meet again with Allison at the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

<u>Agenda Items for Next Meeting:</u> Liaisons update, The Smoke Shop, fall program planning, Project Purple, survey, grant writing, ordinance

Adi	ournment:

B. Berson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. N. Fitzgerald seconded, all ayes, motion passed.

Transcribed by M. Shafer & E. Bauer, Secretary

Kevin Tieman, Chair

Next meeting will be May 26, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, Bantam

