Litchfield Prevention Council Regular Meeting Town Hall Annex January 13, 2015 7:00 PM

<u>Present:</u> Elisa Bauer, Robert Berson, Kelly Garden, Dana Moore, Marion Pettinicchi, Meredith Shafer, Kevin Tieman, Nicholas Fitzgerald

Excused: Joann Brogis

Appointment of Alternates: Nicholas Fitzgerald for Joann Brogis

Call to Order: Kevin Tieman, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: B. Berson moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2014 meeting, second by M. Pettinicchi. Vote all ayes, motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Not available

<u>Correspondence:</u> M. Shafer was contacted by several parents of children in the lower grades are interested in the Prevention Council.

Public Comment: No public present

Old Business:

Project Purple: K. Garden reported the school committee met and has begun to plan how to implement Project Purple. She is in contact with the student group and their advisor, Ben Storrs. Our kick-off will be in conjunction with the students at the Boys Basketball Game on Jan. 27th at LHS. A press release has been composed, reviewed and will be released to the local news agencies. E. Bauer reported permission from the Litchfield Borough Board to change the red ribbons on the center green light posts wreaths to purple and on the visitors' booth. Business owners would have to be solicited to change the ribbon color on the light posts along the street side. Other items were discussed to be used as handouts at the game. B. Berson moved to appropriate up to \$800.00 for the purchase of materials for the kick-off campaign. M. Pettinicchi seconded, vote all ayes, motion passed. The group will meet at LHS at 6:00pm to set up for the kick-off.

<u>Spring Presentations Updates:</u> Members continue to pursue topics and presenters, January concentration on Project Purple.

HVCASA Grant: The \$2,400.00 grant received and deposited.

<u>By Laws:</u> Members reviewed previous drafted by-laws, B Berson motioned to accept the by-laws as presented in handout by E. Bauer, M. Pettinicci seconded, vote all ayes, motion passed. E. Bauer will contact the Town Clerk for the next procedure in adopting the new by-laws.

New Business:

<u>Meeting Location:</u> E. Bauer advised that the annex meeting room is not available for the second monthly meeting but the building office is available. Members agreed to use the building office location in the annex building for their meetings.

<u>Budget Presentation:</u> K. Tieman gave a review of the information he and K. Garden presented at the BOS meeting. The BOS congratulated the Council on their accomplishments and suggested a budget for next year of \$5,000. Members will prepare a detailed budget and submit it to R. Blanchard, Finance Director by January 23 rd .
BOE Meeting Schedule: K. Garden suggested preparing a schedule for members to volunteer to present information at the BOE meetings. After discussion members felt not all meetings needed attendance and N. Fitzgerald volunteered to attend the next meeting with K. Garden. M. Shafer will attend the March meeting. Members will check their schedules for future meetings.
Review of agenda Items for Next Meeting: Project Purple, March presentation, scholarship, budget, strategic planning Adjournment:
K. Garden made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. M. Pettinicchi second, all ayes, motion passed.
Transcribed by E. Bauer, Secretary
Next meeting will be February 8, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, Bantam