

## MINUTES FOR OASIS MEETING

JULY 12, 2018

### OXFORD TOWN HALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Schiavi, Heather Ferrillo, Laura DeLeo Denslow, Vincent Provenzano, Rev. John Donnelly

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Officer Gugliotti, Madalene Taggart, Ken Marr, Jerry McGuire

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer DeWitt, (Behavior Heath Director, HVCASA), Rob Bibbiani, (CRAFT Coach), Elana (AmeriCorps employee), Stephanie and Victoria Alves, 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and Oxford residents, Linda Czaplinski, Oxford resident

Minutes were accepted from 6/14/18 meeting- Susan made the motion and Vinny seconded. The Motion carried.

Susan made a motion to recess to LPC, and Vinny seconded it. The Motion carried.

Call to order, and pledge

It was determined that we can NOT do a table at the Park and Rec concerts in Oxford

AmeriCorps discussion- we have not had a response from Woodbury and Southbury on cost sharing for future sharing of an AmeriCorps worker. We need to determine what we are doing in this regard as we will no longer have Elana as of September. Jennifer will follow up with Neal Lustig in this regard.

Rob Bibbiani joined with us to discuss his CRAFT program. Vinny previously met with him to discuss providing this program to the public. It will cost \$1000 and we can use our LPC funds to pay for it. Rob described his background as a Recovery coach, and his involvement with the CRAFT (community reinforcement and family training) program. He has received training in this program which involves helping families to deal with themselves and loved ones who are struggling with substance abuse issues. His program will be 10 hours, and he can accommodate 12-15 families, max. It was determined that we would provide this program to the public, Oxford residents first, and then others if there are slots after a date certain. The dates we decided on for his program were Saturday October 13 9-2 (5 hours), Monday October 22 6-8:30 (2 ½ hours), and Monday November 5 (2 ½ hours). The location will be determined later. If the new library is not available, local churches may be an option. We will advertise the program on our Facebook page, in the CARES group and by word of mouth. Linda suggested and we agreed that it would be appropriate to charge \$50 for the program, and refund the money if people attend all three sessions to assure people who sign up are truly committed to attending the full program.

Jennifer Dewitt indicated that she is doing a Mental Health First Aid program in September and October. It will run on 9/25, 9/27, 10/2, and 10/4. The cost will be \$25, it will involve these four classes and it can accommodate 30 people. The location will be determined later but local churches may be available to use. We will follow up with that at our next meeting.

We have \$400 remaining from our LPC money to use. There is a possibility of vaping programs that may be available, and we will continue to discuss options for that money in August. We also discussed using that money for another Vigil like we had last year.

Jennifer indicated that the applications are not yet ready yet for the LPCs to apply for money for next year. She will let us know when they are available. There are also additional opportunities for more money, and she will update us on that should we be able to apply for any additional funds for this upcoming year.

We then recessed our LPC meeting and returned to our OASIS meeting.

We discussed the yoga program with David Gross which is a possible program we will be offering to the public. We will follow up with that in August. Several members have met with him to discuss his program and were impressed with it.

The finance director from the town will be paying for David Gross and Rob's program using LPC funds.

Susan indicated that she is planning on meeting with the Superintendent of Schools to update her on what we are doing and hopefully get more involvement from the schools. She will also be following up with the Board of Education.

Jennifer indicated that there will be Narcam trainings offered in the future. She will also follow up with information regarding the supplemental mini grants of five thousand we may be eligible for in the future. She will also do the flyer for the Mental Health First Aid program when all the details are firm on that.

Elana updated us on her work. Her last day is 9/18. She is willing to help with publicity for our programs. They will be at the Safety Fair on 9/9 with a table, and are also doing a Live Well Training for the elderly dealing with chronic pain management 8/22 and 8/26 at the senior center.

We discussed a possible Vigil date of 9/30 and the possibility of having a Blessing Tent at that event.

We tabled Mission and Goals as we were out of time.

The meeting ended at approximately 9:00

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Jennifer A. Dewitt