

Well-Being Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2021

Members Present: Mary Pavlik, Al Murphy, Liz Markiewicz

Members Absent: Pam Follett, Channing Wagg

Others Present: Cindy Worthington-Berry, UCC pastor; Ryan Ferrara, Town Administrator; Rajon Hudson, Assistant Town Administrator

Meeting was held via Zoom due to ongoing COVID emergency. The meeting was called to order via roll call vote: Mary Pavlik, aye; Al Murphy, aye; Liz Markiewicz, aye
Rajon Hudson, Assistant Town Administrator, introduced himself and talked a bit about his background. He said he was happy to serve as a resource to the Committee.
Ryan Ferrara provided an update on the Community Services Coordinator posting. Committee members provided suggestions on additional places to advertise the position.

Cindy Worthington-Berry provided an update on UCC holiday support efforts for the Christmas season: \$6,425 in gift cards from Market Basket, Target, Amazon, WalMart, TJ Maxx--were distributed to 18 households comprised of 57 individuals. She also provided information on the amount of help given to Boxborough families due to COVID (March-December) from ABUW coordinated through the UCC and the former Community Services Coordinator:
\$23,525 via UCC (Cindy) \$9,000 via Community Services Coordinator (Lauren)

Ryan indicated that Boxborough families have access to CDBG grants through the CARES act for childcare and food. The Town will make a contribution to the Acton Food Pantry with its share of the grant and work to identify families in need of daycare.

Ryan also requested that the Well-Being Committee send a letter to the Select Board to support the increase in hours for the Community Services Coordinator position. Should work with COA which is putting together similar proposal for the COA director.

Meeting was adjourned via roll all vote: Mary Pavlik, aye; Al Murphy, aye; Liz Markiewicz, aye

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Markiewicz