

## Well-Being Committee

### Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2021

Members Present: Pam Follett, Liz Markiewicz, Al Murphy, Channing Wagg, Mary Pavlik

Others Present: Becky Neville (Finance, Housing Trust), Ann Canfield (COA), Lauren Grady, Lee Slade

Meeting was held via Zoom due to ongoing COVID emergency. The meeting was called to order via roll call vote: Channing Wagg, aye, Mary Pavlik, aye; Al Murphy, aye; Liz Markiewicz, aye, Pam Follett, aye

1. Minutes from the February were approved by roll call vote: Channing Wagg, aye, Mary Pavlik, aye; Al Murphy, aye; Liz Markiewicz, aye, Pam Follett, ay

2. Community Service Coordinator position

Hiring update: Rose Gauge will begin March 15@ 25 hours

Discussion around supports for Rose, including collaboration with Kim Dee@COA and the community police and fire officers. After two weeks, Liz will check in with Rose to see if she has any input to the hours needed for the position before the warrant is closed at the end of the month.

3. Select Board and Finance Recommendations

Becky Neville reported that the Select Board and Finance Committee are recommending that each position be increased to 32 hours, not full time, with the positions continuing to be coordinator positions. Discussion centered around need for full time in both positions, and the need for collaboration between the positions. The present COA coordinator would increase her hours to 32 but the newly appointed CSC will only be able to work 25 hours. With a recommendation of 32 hours, there was some discussion of best use of those limited hours for a separate one day only CSC., such as possible outreach or BRAP focus. Liz and Mary will reach out to Carlisle and Stow for job descriptions of outreach positions to possibly present to the personnel board at a later date.

4. Update on Swanson Road Fire Relief effort

There was a pop up store with household items donated by locals and a free food market on Saturday for fire relief residents, led by Karen Argento for the household goods. The

food market was coordinated by Liz Markowitz, Lauren Grady with support from Lee Slade. Lauren, Liz and Lee discussed their model of using the excess produce and prepared foods “gleaned” from Roche Bros Acton on Saturdays to create a farmer’s type market of free food. Liz and Mary would like to see this continued somehow in the future for Boxborough residents. It will likely happen again with the second “pop up thrift store” happening in several weeks. This free food model, on a Saturday with gleaned items could possibly be continued, with help from volunteers. Lee will send a followup email with details about gleaning from Roche Brothers. Liz and Mary will continue to pursue details.

Meeting was adjourned via roll all vote:

Pam Follet, aye, Channing Wagg, aye, Mary Pavlik, aye; Al Murphy, aye; Liz Markiewicz, aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Pavlik