

**MEETING MINUTES  
YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020  
6:30 P.M., EAST GRANBY FARMS**

**Members present: Josette Lumbruno, Bob Ravens-Seger, Erin Russell, Angela Ciottone, Jonathan Ciottone, Eugenia Drake. Staff: None. Members of the Public: First Selectman Jim Hayden.**

1. Call To Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.
2. Public Comment on Agenda Items – None.
3. Correspondence – Sandy Yost dated 9/3/20 and 9/4/20 re Youth Action Council. Both emails concerned unilateral action without consulting the Commission members.
4. Review of Minutes – Bob motioned to approve the August 2020 minutes, seconded by Erin. Unanimously approved.
5. Additions To Agenda – None.
6. Old Business
  - Meditation Day – Josette noted the success of the meditation day with weather cooperating for a beautiful day. The program was advertised in Talk Turkey and through the Parks & Rec. department. Notice through schools will be better coordinated. We will look at repeating this program this year, possibly through the schools during exam time.
  - Status on remote vendors for programs (Babysitting/Red Cross, etc.) – Tabled.
  - YAC/Blood Drive- Jonathan discussed the success of the HS YAC in helping with the recent blood drive at the community center. They plan to help out at a future blood drive.
  - Halloween Party status of planning – This will be a drive through event, and the HS YAC will be participating in a safe manner to be determined. The final details about

how gift bags/candy will be distributed safely are still being worked out. It was stressed that our YAC volunteers must be participating in the event in a safe and distant manner.

## 7. New Business

- Resolution – Action Item – The resolution was summarized for the record. The focus of the Resolution is to provide clear guidance in one document on many matters of procedure previously adopted by the Commission, and further set forth in the attached document. Bob motioned to accept the Resolution, seconded by Eugenia. All votes were individually cast and recorded by Josette. Unanimously approved.
- JRB Eligibility Requirements Revision – Action Item – The Revision to the Eligibility Requirements was required by State statute concerning JRB referrals for Families with Service Needs (FWSN) effective 7/1/20. Bob Motioned to approve the revision, seconded by Erin. Unanimously approved. It was noted that the chair of the JRB resigned. Angela, as acting vice chair, will follow up and look into setting up a meeting of the members.
- Update on Programming – Tabled.
- Update on YAC – MS Sandy/Mason (absent). Erin provided an update on various projects the HS YAC was working on, including Recycle-A-Gift and community movie night.
- YAC Mission Statement-This item will be tabled. However, the Mission Statement previously discussed was never voted on due to pending discussions with the YAC facilitators at the time. The Commission agreed that the goals were acceptable, but will be re-visited once we have an opportunity to discuss with Mason and Kaitlyn. It

was stressed that we would like the YAC to become more involved in local government versus just volunteering. Jim suggested that there was an upcoming November Town Meeting that would be a good experience for the group to attend. Angela will reach out to Mason about this.

- Stop & Shop Community Bag Program – The East Granby YSB will receive \$1.00 for each reusable bag bought at Stop & Shop in East Granby. The information will be posted on the Town's website.

#### 8. Promotion

- Update Facebook/website – Tabled.
- School District Website – Tabled.
- Talk Turkey – It was suggested by Jim that the YAC designate one person per month to write up what they've been working on for a submission to Talk Turkey. Per the resolution, this would be submitted to the Commission prior to publication.
- Upcoming events – Halloween Party – brochures are needed for printing. Angela reached out to Mason regarding a readable version to update, if necessary. Angela will follow up so that these can be printed and included in the bags.

9. Membership – Trooper Scott Menard, once the bylaw change takes effect in November, will fill the only vacancy.

10. Public Comment – None.

11. Adjournment – Bob motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Josette. Approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Ciottone, Chair

**Next Meeting: November 16, 2020**