MEEETING MINUTES  
YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION  
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020  
6:30 P.M., EAST GRANBY FARMS via ZOOM

Members Present: Josette Lumbruno, Erin Russell, Jonathan Ciottone, Angela Ciottone  
Staff: Mason Williams. Members of the Public: First Selectman Jim Hayden, Michaela Rosenberger

1. Call To Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items - None

3. Correspondence - None

4. Review of Minutes – Josette motioned to approve the June meeting minutes, seconded by Erin. Unanimously approved.

5. Additions To Agenda – None.

6. Old Business

   - Summer Programming – Boys Council - 1 week summer program was held.

   - Meditation Day – Josette and Mason are working to coordinate a September date. Jim suggested an outdoor forum. Mason will check the Park and Rec schedule for East Granby Farms. Josette and Mason will work on a flyer to be included in the August issue of Talk Turkey.

7. New Business

   - YAC MS/HS Update – Mason reports that the MS has 13-14 members while the HS has 10, but recruitment for two 9th grade slots is ongoing.

   - Juvenile Review Board – FWSN, new Public Act – As of 7/1/20, the Town of East Granby is accepting referrals for Families with Service needs. The procedure for referrals and grants to offset the reallocation of services from the State to individual
towns will be discussed with Sandy and Sue at the next meeting. Jim will reach out to both to ensure that they are present to inform the board accordingly. Many questions arose such as where referrals would be coming from, how they will be paid for, whether insurance would be available to pay for them, etc.

- Programming additions – We are working on a grant through the local prevention council for vaping reduction in our youth. There is the idea of having the middle school and high school students compete to create public service announcements. Josette suggested a back-up plan for these funds should school be closed again due to unforeseen outbreaks during the ongoing pandemic situation.

- Bylaw Amendments – Action item – Discussion was held on amendments to the bylaws with the original intent to have them incorporated into the Town ordinances. Jim will present the amendment for approval at the next BOS meeting. The amendment seeks to allow full membership – voting and quorum – to the appointed officer. The amendment also seeks to remove non-participating members for unexcused absences by a board vote. Erin motioned to approve the language of the amendment as discussed, seconded by Josette. Amendments unanimously approved.

8. Promotion

- Update Facebook/website – Mason reports that he was added as an administrator and will work on updating the Facebook page.

- School District Website

- Lets Talk Turkey - Draft to Meet Deadline – the deadline for submission is 8/3. Both Mason and Josette will work on a submission that they will forward to Angela prior to the deadline to ensure a timely submission. The
hope is that a flyer for the Town meditation day will also be ready for inclusion in the publication.

- Upcoming Events – Town meditation day

9. Membership – Action Item - See bylaw amendment above.

10. Public Comment – Michaela, acting chair of the JRB, gave her interpretation of the new FWSN law which basically keeps families out of the DCF system should there be compliance. The JRB will meet to discuss the implementation going forward. Both Jim and Michaela expressed concern about the shifting of services without clear appropriations from the State to the localities. There was agreement to spend time researching the new requirements to fall into full compliance.

11. Adjournment – Josette motioned to adjourn, seconded by Jonathan. Unanimously approved and meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Ciottone, Chair

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 17, 2020