

Minutes
TOWN OF COLUMBIA
Youth Services Committee
Wednesday, March 13, 2019
Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room

Members Present: Carol Wiggins, Maureen Allen, Denise Morrell, Rebecca Allen, Greg DeCarli, Dan Leavitt, Bill O'Brien and Marc Volza.

Also Present: Mark Walter, Town Administrator and Cheri A. Rivard-Lentz, LMFT of AHM.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Meeting called to order at 5:30pm

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF January 9, 2019 MEETING**
Finalized minutes were not available. Approval of January 9th minutes tabled to May 8, 2019 meeting.

3. **AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

Mark Walter reported that he has had a discussion with a BOE member regarding the need for another social worker at Porter School. Discussion followed.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

May 8, 2019 YSC meeting: Open discussion of youth services issues with community leaders and citizens.

There was a consensus among committee members the topic for discussion at the May 8th meeting would be on marijuana and/or the legalization of marijuana. Bill agreed to attempt to find a speaker on this topic.

Committee members also agreed that the May 8, 2019 meeting should be held a 7:00 p.m. in an effort to get better attendance by community leaders and citizens.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

Update from Andover Hebron Marlborough Youth and Family Services (AHM)

Cheri A. Rivard-Lentz reported on AHM's support group for parents of children with attention deficit disorder (ADD) and alcohol and other drug (AOD) use disorder. She also reported on the substance abuse family support group and the "no one eats alone" program.

Denise Morell also reported that AHM is hosting a nature trail at the Hebron Maple Fest.

Update from Resident Trooper DeCarli

Trooper Kyle Fitzgibbons has been assisting in the resident trooper's duties on a temporary basis.

Update from Horace W. Porter School

No update as Alyssa was unable to attend today's meeting.

Update from Columbia Parks and Recreation

Marc reported on Family Fun Night at Porter School and the April Vacation Camp.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 6:03pm