

MEETING OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

at

DuPage Township Boardroom

241 Canterbury Lane

Monday, October 5, 2020 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order
Meeting called to order at 4:04 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call for Quorum – Kym Owens, Alyssia Benford, Felix George, Tracey Odum, Maureen Fox, Peggy McMillan, Kim Johnson, Ruth Smith

Absent – Chris Hudson, Kulsum Ali
- IV. Approval of Agenda
Motion by Kym Owen, Second by Felix George – Motion pass
- V. Approval of minutes from September 14, 2020 Committee Meeting
With the necessary correction Motion by Maureen Fox, second by Felix George - motion Pass
- VI. Public Comment
None
- VII. Community Partnership Grants Application Review/Status
 - a. Hazel House Global Charities
 1. Attorney has received the request from Supervisor George to draft a resolution for Operation Thanksgiving for board discussion and possible action.
 2. Attorney has received the request from Supervisor George to draft a resolution for the Employment Readiness – 6-week program for board discussion and possible action.

b. Diaper Depot

Attorney received a request from Supervisor George to draft a resolution for board discussion and action.

VIII. General Assistance and Emergency Discussion

a. Job Training Program – Alyssia mentioned an additional job training program she and Pastor Hudson will gather details regarding and bring to the committee for approval. This job training program focuses on adults that are out of high school or have a GED.

b. Help the Homeless Initiative – No report due to Covid

c. GA Software update – Angela with Troy Township and Trustee Benford will be meeting.

d. Mobile Food Bus – The mobile food bus has been booked online Kym Owens.

e. Car Seat Program – Kym Owens asked to have item removed from future agenda for now due to Covid.

f. Mask Program – Kym Owens announced that masks have been ordered and were received. We received a little over 3,000 masks.

g. Heritage Woods Assistance – Kym Owens contacted Heritage Woods. Some of the items they are asking for, are items that residents can't get out to get. Alyssia Benford and Felix George will cross reference the list with the General Assistance code and township code to determine what items the township is able to provide. Maureen Fox asked Kym Owens if there are transportation issues. The township helps with some transportation at Greenleaf and they would be willing to include Heritage Woods. Maureen Fox will contact Heritage Woods regarding transportation needs.

h. Other Local Food Pantry Assistance/Coordination – Dates and times of Other pantry is on our Facebook page and

IX. Community Outreach Events Discussion

Community Pizza Party - Ruth Smith and Kym Owens. Could be a lot of work taking orders for 150 families. The idea of a taco truck, families sign up for a time slot. Ruth Smith came up with games for families. Ruth reached out to a few taco trucks. One price quote 350 tacos for \$800. Kym Owens working with the Park District and Brooks Middle School, movie in the park for Spring. Kym Owens is forming a subcommittee to help with the taco truck planning.

X. Fiscal Year 2020 Schedule of Material Weaknesses Action Plan

Alyssia Benford reported that she will be visiting the township later this month for a walkthrough of the new general assistance system. The information will be used to address the general assistance audit issue.

XI. Public Comments

None

XII. Committee Member Comments

- a. Kim Johnson – Pitch in to get out the vote.
- b. Ruth Smith – No comment
- c. Pastor Hudson – Thankful to be on the committee. The committee truly has the people’s interest at heart. Thank you to Alyssia Benford for keeping us organized and on point.
- d. Kym Owens – Lion’s Club would like to host a coat drive. Asking the committee to contact local businesses to put a box there. Will only take brand new coats for families and children. Monetary to Lion’s Club. Kym Owens asked if we can the matter on the board agenda for approval.
- e. Tracey Odum – Willing to jump in wherever.
- f. Maureen Fox – Tomorrow is the last day to register to vote. Taco truck is a great idea.
- g. Peggy McMillian – No comments
- h. Alyssia Benford – Great idea for outreach programs. Tonight my sorority chapter is hosting a breast cancer awareness event via zoom.
- i. Felix George – Thanking the committee for being so active. Thank you to Kym and Tracy for working on the GA Software. Thank you to Trustee Benford for your work with the committee.

XIII. Old Business

None

XIV. New Business
None

XV. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Maureen Fox, Second by Kim Johnson. Meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Pursuant to the Illinois Township Code, 60 ILCS 1/80-10(b), appropriate notice is hereby given to the Township Clerk for a committee meeting with the above listed Agenda.