Town of Barnstable Human Services Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Names in BOLD indicate action items.

#### **Present:**

Scott Fitzgerald (chair), Charlie Hetzel, Heidi Nelson and Stacie Peugh (members), Jen Cullum, Town Council Liaison

## Absent:

### **Guests:**

#### Order:

The meeting came to order at 4:10 p.m.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the June 14, 2016 meeting were approved with one correction- Stacey asked to strike the phrase 'Services include transportation, and'. The Y program does not provide transportation.

# **Housing Discussion- Next Steps**

At our last meeting in June, Stacey had updated us on a dormitory style housing program managed by the YMCA in Portland, ME. Members of the Transitional Living Center Executive Committee traveled to Portland on August 31, and the TLC members met on September 12 to recap the visit.

Stacey brought the notes from the recap to review with the Homeless Services Committee. The TLC group visited a local shelter operated by the city, a youth transitional program, and the YMCA dormitory housing program, as well as a related permanent supportive housing program. The leadership at the Portland Y had also arranged for us to meet with representatives of the local police, business community and the hospital.

We agreed that it was a beneficial trip, and we agreed that we have pride in our local community policing efforts, and our collective effort to improve quality of life on the streets in Hyannis.

In order to assess whether or not it makes sense to develop dormitory housing on Cape Cod, the TLC Committee and the community needs to decide what are our needs, and what is the best way to address them.

We agreed to meet at a later time going forward, trying 5:00 rather than 4:00 p.m.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Nelson

Duffy Health Center and Secretary to Committee

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The next meeting of the committee will be held Tuesday, October 11, at 4:00 p.m.

Post-script- the October meeting was cancelled.