



Human Services Committee
367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA
July 2, 2024
5:30pm

Meeting Minutes

I. BUSINESS

A. Roll Call: Chair Cheryl Powell took roll call: The Governor's office protocol for remote participation due to Covid restrictions is no longer in effect therefore this meeting was held in the Selectmen's Conference Room..

Members present: Cheryl Powell (Chair); Suzanne Welch, Wendy Crocker, Kimberly Crocker-Crowther; Sheree Kay (Missi).

Members absent: Rep. Steven Xiarhos

I. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Roll Call
- Discuss report to be given to Town Council
- Discussion of proposal, information gathering and cataloging, roles
- Election of Officers
- Public Comment
- Other items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Chair of Committee Cheryl Powell opened the meeting at 5:32pm. Chair of Committee did a Roll Call of members present. (See above) The meeting began with a confirmation of quorum and instructions for participation.

Chair of Committee started the meeting by announcing "In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws and informed that the meeting would be replayed on Xfinity Channel 8 and HD Channel 107". It was also mentioned that the meeting would be accessible on the government access channel and video on demand archives on the Town of Barnstable website.

Chair of Committee announced she has almost completed the report for the Town Council focusing on identified issues and potential proposals. They are as follows: 1) addiction, 2) homelessness, 3) health, 4) crime and 5) mental health. Additionally, the Committee discussed the various entities/agencies associated with these five issues and the importance of getting input from them as we develop our plan moving forward. Committee member Welch volunteered to contact the Centerville Police Department to provide them with an "introductory overview" as to how the Human Services Committee can be of assistance to them. This discussion concluded with "what are the appropriate next steps?" Suggestions included: 1) transportation needs discussion (PTI-prescription for transportation), 2) SEMS, 3) Calmer Choice, and 4) invitation to actual addicts to discuss their needs.

Chair of Committee held the election of officers. Cheryl Powell was nominated to continue as Chair, Kimberly Crocker Crowther, Vice Chair and Missi Kay as Clerk. These nominations were put forth by

Suzanne Welch and seconded by Kim Crocker Crowler.

Chair of Committee noted that the public comment period was closed as no other participants were in attendance.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 was made by Wendy Crocker and seconded by Suzanne Welch.

Next Meeting: August 13, 2024