

HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY MINUTES – February 1, 2022

Present: Alicia Presti, Allita Paine, Pam Manus, Nan McNicholas, Dawn Berry, and Mary Reid

Report of Human Services Coordinator- Alicia Presti

Budget expenses for 2021 were \$49,198.87 with the following breakdown:

- \$348.05 for food
- \$43,864.84 for housing, another \$7,000 was received and spent from other donations
- \$1615.94 for fuel, with another \$8000 in donations
- \$3156.80 electricity
- \$231.24 other

The Lions Club generously donated a second bundle coats. Alicia did a meet and greet shopping day at Park Avenue where people could shop for the coats.

Alicia met with Meaghan Ezen of the Art Dept. and Sara Larson, President of the National Honor Society and Peer Outreach to talk about programming ideas with Paula. The National Honor Society is planning a food drive for June which is typically a low donation period. Some National Honor Society members are meeting seniors in town to lend some help. The Lions Club will be supplying and delivering sand for seniors in town. Alicia is serving as the liaison for those who need sand.

The Human Services FaceBook has 100 followers. Alicia is trying to post weekly. She is also working with NH online software program to access help.

Alicia has been doing welfare checks and calls for aging services have been coming in. More people are accessing the food pantry.

She has distributed some of the pamphlets around town: Slusser, all three schools, library, fire and police departments, Park Avenue, food pantry and at senior meals drive through. Realtors have asked for file rather than hard copies. The Logo design will happen as new classes are settling.

Suggestions for New Committee Member

Some names were offered. All names need to be in by our meeting on Monday, March 7.

Displaying and Sharing Brochure at Town Meeting, March 12

We will make a poster at our next meeting for the HSAC to be displayed with the brochures at Town Meeting. Alicia and rotating members of the committee will be at the table. We need photos of Human Services in action. Alicia will check with Neal about the possibility of having a table. Alicia will let us if we can have a display table.

Recognition for Food Pantry Workers

About 20 people are serving every other week. When the food pantry goes back to weekly, there could be more workers in the Spring. We could plan a BBQ in the Spring to thank the workers.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn C. Berry

NEXT MEETING – MARCH 7 AT 4 PM

