

Human Services Advisory Committee
Minutes for August 3, 2021

Present: Mary Reidy, Allita Paine, Dawn Berry, and Marilyn Cereillo-Bresaw

The minutes for June and July were approved.

Marilyn had no formal report. We expressed our appreciation for her dedication to the people of Hopkinton in need of human services and her professionalism. We wished her well in her retirement.

The Human Services Advisory Committee reviewed the job description for the Human Services Coordinator and have some suggestions that will be communicated to the Town Administrator. The Committee also has concerns about the experience and license/certification requirements which don't seem to meet the human services standards which we feel are important to the position. Allita will draft a letter of our concerns.

There are 5 families in Hopkinton who fear they may lose their apartments due to the potential sale of buildings. They expressed concern for the current trend of buying buildings to be remodeled for condos or more expensive apartments. We discussed the need for affordable housing in the town.

\$175.00 was left from the Elm Brook Event honoring Paula and Marilyn. The surplus money was split with half of the money going to the Food Pantry and half to the Senior Lunch fund.

We discussed the updating of the community resources brochure that will be handed out to new families coming into town. More work will be done at our September meeting.

Our next meeting will be September 14 at 4:30 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn C. Berry