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TOWN OF WARREN

COVID RECOVERY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Wednesday April 14, 2021 7:00PM

Via Zoom Conferencing

(See Recording Link Below)

Call to Order and Designation of Alternates

There was no quorum until 7:41. At that time the meeting was called to order by Mr. Angevine, those present were Tim Angevine, John Favreau, Judy Shaw, Melissa Woodward and Bradford Hoar. Absent were Missy Layman and Frank Krasowski.

Review and Approval of Minutes from February 10, 2021

Mr. Favreau made a MOTION to approve the minutes from February 10th, 2021. Ms. Shaw SECONDED the motion; all were in favor, the MOTION CARRIED.

Election of temporary Chairperson and Recording Secretary for this meeting only.

Ms. Shaw made a MOTION for Mr. Favreau to be the chairperson of the meeting and Melissa Woodward to be the recording secretary for the meeting; Mr. Hoar SECONDED the motion, all were in favor, the MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment

None.

Additions to the Agenda

None.

Review and Discussion of outreach to Warren Businesses

Mr. Chairman stated there was very little response from outreach to businesses. Mr. Chairman stated anecdotally that businesses in town have not been negatively impacted by C19. It was stated that Hopkins Inn may have been the only business which would have been directly affected by the shutdown and regulations set however no negative affects had been reported to the committee. Mr. Hoar asked if any new businesses had solicited any assistance and Mr. Chairman stated that he was advising the new business in the "Rooster Tail" location. Mr. Chairman state that most businesses current struggle is finding staff, willing to work and willing to work in Warren.

Economic Development Commission Concept for Long Term Recovery

Mr. Angevine stated that the Economic Development Commission may be a Segway into a group possibly keeping up with future needs. Mr. Angevine stated that Warren Business Association may be sufficient; however in the future having a government group that has access to resources through the town may be beneficial.

Mental Health and Addiction Update

Mr. Chairman stated that prior to the quorum a discussion was held on the outreach and communication of mental health and addiction needs. Mr. Chairman noted that the social services office had been effective in communicating the resources and providing outreach to residents. A discussion was held on the request made by Greenwoods Referral Center for \$5,000.00 donation. It was recommended by Ms. Woodward to give a donation to the organization as she refers all clients to the organization. Mr. Angevine stated that he would support a donation for half the amount requested, 2,500.00 to be donated.

Summary of our observations for report to Board of Selectman and for Spring Newsletter

. Ms. Shaw made a MOTION to allow Ms. Woodward to write a summary of the work and efforts done by the committee to be printed in the next newsletter, Mr. Favreau SECONDED the motion; all were in favor. The MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion and possible action to convene as needed.

Mr. Chairman stated that the mission of this committee has somewhat run its course, it may not be necessary to schedule or program a monthly or bi-monthly meeting however maintaining and no disbanding the commission may be a worthwhile option to remain open. Mr. Chairman stated if it was necessary to reconvene Mr. Angevine could request a meeting be held. Mr. Chairman made a MOTION to discontinue regularly scheduled meetings and reconvene in the event it is deemed necessary by Mr. Angevine, Ms. Shaw SECONDED the motion; all were in favor. The MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment

None.

Adjourn

Ms. Shaw made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Woodward SECONDED the motion; all were in favor. The meeting ADJOURNED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Woodward

Recording Secretary

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