



City of Fredericksburg Department of Social Services
Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes – August 10, 2017
DSS Conference Room – 608 Jackson Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Present for the meeting: Debe Fults, Tim Duffy, Christen Gallik, Beth Girone (Secretary), Bea Paolucci (Chair), Mark Poth, and Brian Vaughan and guest, Assistant City Manager, Mark Whitley.

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 8:32 a.m. and a quorum was established.
- II. **Approval of Minutes:** Mark Poth made a motion to approve the minutes of June 8, 2017. Motion passed. All were in favor.
- III. **Director's Report:**
 - a. **Budget** – The finance report was presented and discussed. Ms. Gallik shared with Board Members that new initiatives were being put into place as a response to the low utilization of VIEW funds. A VIEW Job Search program is being piloted beginning in October.
 - b. **Performance Metrics** – A new template was shared with Board members with a start date for use at our next Board meeting in October.
 - c. **Management Report** - Ms. Gallik's Director's report was distributed and discussed. The Board discussed the Opioid Crisis and was given an overview on how it is affecting our Department and the Department's involvement on various community committees and response efforts. Mark Whitley shared information on the upcoming Town Talks regarding the Opioid Crisis and mentioned that there is one at James Monroe on October 2nd from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. There will be a showing of "Chasing the Dragon – The Life of an Opioid Addict" and a panel discussion to follow. This event is sponsored by the Community Collaborative for Youth and Families.
- IV. **Old Business:** Ms. Gallik shared that there is no new news on the relocating of families from the Mobile Home park.
- V. **New Business:**
 - a. **Community Involvement Chart** – Board members were given a copy of the chart that shows the various community committees that staff members have representation on.
 - b. **Putting Practices into Action** – Article was shared.
 - c. **ALICE Report** – Emailed to Board Members
 - d. **Building Improvements** – Board members were updated on the upcoming building improvements slated to begin in September with the paving of the parking lot. Exterior painting and bathroom updates will follow soon after. The agency is very appreciative of the City's support with these much needed improvements.
 - e. **New Board Member** – Thom Schiff has been appointed as a new member and met recently with Christen and Beth. He had a prior obligation for today's meeting, but is planning on joining us in October.

VI. **Executive Session:** There was no need to go into Executive Session.

VII. **Items for Consent/Approval:** There were no items for approval.

VIII. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for **October 12, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.**

Respectfully Submitted:

Beth Girone 10/12/17
Beth Girone, Assistant Director Date

Bea Paolucci 10/12/17
Bea Paolucci, Chair Date

APPROVED