

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
October 23, 2023**

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A meeting of the Human Services Committee was held on Monday, October 23, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:38 P.M. by the Chair, Sarah Gallagher.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sarah Gallagher, Chair; Adrian Webber, Vice-Chair; Laurie Sweet; Katie Kiely; Bob Anthony; Cory O'Brien

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Betty Wetmore

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

The following items were addressed:

1. Order authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of funds from the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families – Youth Services Base Grant (\$32,391)  
  
-- Moved by Ms. Sweet, seconded by Ms. Kiely. DISCUSSION: Youth Services Coordinator Ms. Rubino explained this is an entitlement grant and a matching grant that will be used for 2 part time program assistants, resource development, and outreach staff development. A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.
2. Order authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of funds from the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families – Youth Services Enhancement Grant (\$18,467)  
  
-- Moved by Ms. Sweet, seconded by Ms. Kiely. DISCUSSION: Ms. Rubino said this focuses on enhancements for the schools with programs such as Positive Choices for a Healthy Hamden, etc. A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.
3. Order authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of funds from the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families – Youth Services Supplemental Grant (\$12,992)  
  
-- Moved by Ms. Sweet, seconded by Mr. Webber. DISCUSSION: Ms. Rubino explained this helps families with childcare costs, enrichment programs, etc. and is available to all Hamden youth. It offers scholarships and helps other programs such as We Are the Village. A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.

4. Order authorizing the Town of Hamden to make application and to accept and expend funds from the State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development Community Investment Fund 2030 – Affordable Housing Project 2980 State Street

-- Moved by Mr. Webber, seconded by Ms. Gallagher. DISCUSSION: Grants & Capital Projects Manager Carol Hazen explained that this is for developing an application for Round 4 saying we weren't accepted in Round 3. She said Regan Development remains committed to the project and so does the Town. The application is due the middle of December and we should hear back by mid march of next year. Ms. Hazen then explained the changes. Mr. Anthony asked how much we're getting from the State. Ms. Hazen said they put in for \$8,000,000 the same as Round 3. Mr. Anthony asked how much the developer is putting up. Ms. Hazen said the balance but she doesn't know that number and doesn't have her budget with her. A vote was taken and the item passed with 1 opposed (Anthony)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta, Clerk  
for Sarah Gallagher, Chair