Town of Barnstable Human Services Committee Meeting April 9, 2019 8:30 am

Meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Scott Fitzgerald. Present: Deb Krau, Robin Gunderson, Heather M. Strassel

The Committee's Report to Council was reviewed. In light of the passing of time since completion of the report, a motion was made by Robin Gunderson and seconded by Deb Krau to revise the 2018 Report to support current services in areas of concern and focus on Food Insecurity throughout 2019 with a goal of presenting the revised Report to Town Council in June, 2019. The motion was discussed and passed unanimously.

Deb Krau offered to begin the work of revising the 2018 Report and circulate with members for additional input. The revised Report is to be reviewed and voted upon at the May 14th Committee meeting. Scott Fitzgerald will update Council liaison Jen Cullum of the status of the Report.

Upcoming Committee member terms expiring in 2019 were discussed. Robin agreed to a second term. Scott will contact members regarding ongoing Committee participation. Members were encouraged to discuss interest in serving on the Committee within our networks.

Discussion continued regarding the Committee's focus on Food Insecurity including:

- The importance of coordinating efforts with the currently functioning Barnstable pantries, efforts through the Senior Center, Veteran services, and school counselors.
- The careful consideration of Pantry location(s) and mobile version(s)
- Extending invitations to community leaders and working to increase public attendance at Committee Meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 am. Next Meeting, May 14 @ 8:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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