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Milford Youth Commission

In-Person Meeting

Date: September 6, 2022

Time: 6:15 pm

Location: Milford Youth Center - Conference Room, 2nd Floor
24 Pearl St., Milford, MA 01757

Call to Order

At 6:24 pm, Chair Rickert called the meeting to order. Seconded by Steve Sousa.

Members in attendance: Brendan Rickert; Ariea Bryan, Chuck Calagione, Stacy Darling, Darlene Dulude, Steve Sousa, Jason Vaz.

Absent: Sandra Caproni, Christine Crean, John Dulude; David Levine, Finance Committee Liaison.

MYC Staff: Jen Ward; Emily Stienstra. **Staff:** Dale Michaud. **Guests:** None.

A.) New Business

1. Approve Meeting Minutes: 8/16/22

MOTION: Chair Rickert motioned to approve the meeting minutes of 8/16/22. Seconded by Steve Sousa.

Vote: All in favor by voice vote. **None opposed.** Ariea Bryan and Stacy Darling abstained as they were not present at the 8/16/22 meeting.

Motion carries: 5-0-2

2. Filling vacancy:
 - a. Vice-Chair

MOTION: Jay Vaz motioned to elect Stacy Darling as Vice-Chair effective immediately.

Seconded by Steve Sousa. **Vote:** All in favor by voice vote. **None opposed.**

Motion carries: 7-0-0

3. Signing of warrants:

Members discussed details of a \$10,000 Warrant Article for the Special Town Meeting.

- a. Basement electrical upgrade to include stage lighting, two lighted tiers for storage equipment.

MOTION: Chair Rickert motioned to submit a Warrant Article to the Special Town Meeting in the amount of \$10,000 for basement electrical upgrades: Seconded by Steve Sousa.

Vote: All in favor by voice vote. **None opposed.**

Motion carries: 7-0-0

4. CraftRoots Fundraiser 9/9 with Pub Kings (Jen Ward, Emily Stienstra):

Members discussed whether to hold the fundraiser in September (football season) or in March; end of summer; beginning of school and registrations for new and returning MYC families. Chair Rickert commended MYC staff, Jen Ward and Emily Stienstra, as the Center continues to receive *outstanding* comments on social media.

Jen Ward responded that the MYC is more than a "community" center.

Darlene Dulude said Jen Ward "upped her game" this year with outreach (business letter campaign).

a. Final preparations:

- Promotion: Jen Ward went on the radio; Emily Stienstra promoting on social media
- Deadline is Friday, 9/9, 1:00 pm to sell tickets
- \$100 door prize to person who sold the most tickets
- Goal is to sell 100 tickets; 90 have been sold
- Goal is to raise \$10,000
- \$3,700 monetary donations received
- Tickets can be purchased on-line and paid via Paypal or Unipay, not Venmo
- Donations can be made via Paypal or Unipay, not Venmo
- Raffle tickets can be purchased \$10 for a half-sleeve; \$20 for a sleeve
- 50 raffle prizes valued > \$4,500
- 24 baskets of community donations thanks to:
 - Darlene Dulude and MYC Board members, the Ward family
 - Milford businesses who were sent letters to support MYC
- Rail Trail Flatbread Co. will contribute sheets of free pizza
- Hummus truck has been replaced with a Mac 'n Cheese truck
- Miscellaneous:
 - Business letters returned undeliverable; corrected and culled the list with the Town
 - Jen Ward will prepare a packet/list of Raffle Contents
 - Jen Ward will prepare a liability sign "not guaranteeing food ingredients" for food sensitive persons
 - Jen Ward gave Board members each an empty platter to bring additional food

b. Preparation Schedule:

1. Thursday, 3:30 pm: MYC Staff to be at CraftRoots Brewing
2. Thursday, 4:00 pm: Maddie, Sam, Emily, Jay and Jen to set up
3. Friday, 5:00-5:30 pm: Rail Trail Flatbread Co. arriving
4. Friday, 5:00-6:00 pm: Need MYC Board members to help with receiving people at the door to buy an entry ticket and/or a raffle ticket
5. Need 2 Board members the first hour to walk around with fanny packs to sell tickets
6. Need 1 MYC Staff member at entry with master list to record who will get a free beer

c. Event Schedule:

- 6:00, Event begins
- 7:00-7:15, Awards presentation
- Last minute raffle sales
- 7:15-7:30, Raffle prizes
- 8:45, Final count from Tracking Sheet
- MYC Board member "signs off funds"

- Jen Ward to transport funds with a protector for security
- d. Logistics of the evening:
- Flow of people will be away from the bar
 - Table near the band for awards
 - Side room to the left of the bar for pizza, desserts on the shelf
 - Speakers:
 - Brendan Rickert will open with an introductory speech and thank you's to:
 - Francoise Elise and her husband
 - Milford Food Services (Carla accepting for her team)
 - Hockomock YMCA
 - Other recipients?
 - Select Board member, Paul Mazzuchelli, to speak briefly and award citations
 - Senator Becca Rausch (awarding citations?)
 - State Rep. Brian Murray (awarding citations?)
 - Jen Ward to announce raffle awards assisted by presenter, Emily Stienstra
 - Need 2 additional people to assist Emily
5. Halloween Event: Friday, October 28 from 6:00-9:00 pm
- a. Volunteers needed! Emily Stienstra said 15 volunteers are needed for the event. She is reaching out to local colleges who have partnered with MYC in the past.

B.) Invitation to Speak - No one spoke.

1. Other:
- a. Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 @ 6:15 pm

MOTION: At 6:55 pm, Chair Rickert motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Steve Sousa.

Vote: All in favor by voice vote. **None opposed.**

Motion carries: 7-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Michaud
Recording Secretary

The listing of matters above are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may be discussed, and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Brendan Rickert

Date