



## **Ridgefield Prevention Council Minutes**

**April 19, 2023**

**7:00pm, Town Hall Annex**

Mission: The Ridgefield Prevention Council supports a safe and healthy environment for all Ridgefield families through awareness, education and positive alternatives to alcohol and other substance use and to reduce high-risk youth behaviors

"Ridgefield Prevention Council meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility."

Attendance: Kim Carone, Carol Ann Sganga, LouAnn Daprato, Siera Fregosi, Bhargavi Ramamurthy

### **Call to Order @ 7:04pm**

**Approval of Minutes:** January minutes to be approved

**Treasurer report:** Karen Facini

### **Reports/Discussion:**

- Survey
  - Will be using Survey Monkey (best results from the past).
  - Will send to anyone who has attended our events (with "you have been selected" wording).
  - Will set up QR code for survey's with a flyer if possible.
  - Need to blast all over social media when ready.
  - Questions will be 2 on vaping, 2 on drinking, 1 on opioids, 1 on depression.
    - Kim will send out questions we came up with so far and will need everyone's input to put the survey together. Need to get it out before the next meeting.
  - B spoke about motivation for the survey.
    - Need to know how many minutes we want the survey to last.
    - How will the survey help us?
    - Will it be mobile friendly?
  - B spoke about sending out 2 different surveys: adults/kids
    - How to get info to kids?
- SOR Grant
  - Partners/letters:
    - Have only 2 (did eventually receive the other 3 needed).
  - Plan & who will be working on which initiative.

- Will discuss in May after we know if we received the grant.
- Gallo Event Recap
  - Would like to see more people there.
  - Was a bit costly @ \$1500.
    - Consider Queen Bee (coffee & snacks) for the next event. Invite local businesses to join. Event to happen in August/September.
    - Give an update on what we're working on and where we need help.
- Gambling Month Recap
  - Pizza stickers went out.
  - Fliers, Posters, Banner
    - All went out.
- April- Positivity Cards
  - All out. Received some good feedback so far.
- May- Prom ad
  - Siera will work on the ad (Kim to resend old Rccassa ad).
  - Will reach out to Hamlet Hub, Patch, FB, Instagram
- June- Graduation
  - Will not do mailing this year. Will create a QR code and post via social media only (maybe do posters).
  - Look into TikTok message.
  - Project Graduation
    - Won't do cup covers again.
    - Spoke about donation (using the funds we would have used for cup covers) of about \$2000. Those in attendance were in favor of the idea.

### **New Business:**

Can we use the town alerts message system for RPC fliers (will need to ask Rudy).

Spring Stroll is May 6th. Do we want a table?

Get dates for Summer Stroll & Pumpkin Weigh Off for table set up.

Ask ABC House if they have any girls who would like to be our Student Reps.

Ask Cpt. Raines if there is an anonymous call in line to report underage parties.

**Adjourned: 8:05pm.**

**Respectively submitted by Kim Carone**