

RECOVERY COMMUNITY COALITION

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

On Monday, September 24, 2018, the regular meeting of the members of the Recovery Community Coalition was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Dannie Smith, Fire Chief, in the Upstairs Conference Room at City Hall, at 701 Main Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dale Trees

Dr. Kendall Young

Dawn Elder

Rick Stolpman

Claudia Richner

Sabine Kuenzel

Carol McCarrick

Leigh Ann Fitzpatrick

Blair Geisler

Laura Godwin

Steve Paulter

Shawn Driggers

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Cody Leicht

CITY EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dannie Smith, Fire Chief

VISITORS PRESENT:

Sarah Jambers

Jenna, Kerrville Daily Times

Bill Blackburn

1. APPROVE MINUTES:

1A. Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2018 meeting

2. RECOGNIZE MEMBERS, PARTNERS, GUEST:

2A. Introduction of new Members, Partners, and Guest to KRCC

2B. Resignation of Nikki Saurage and notification of termination on the KRCC to Cody Leicht due to too many consecutive absences from scheduled meetings.

2C. Reviewed the current positions open and the requirements for each position.

3. FACING ADDICTION: COMMUNITIES PROJECT

3A. The areas identified as needs for the Communities Project centered around education and resources. Several sectors and agencies were identified for the purpose of education and resources, such as Public Safety, Community, Recovery Community, Jail, Schools, Sober Homes, etc. The participants in the Communities Project will narrow down the focus on a handful of those entities to maximize our efforts in meeting the needs of the community. Members discussed the need to acquire data from various resources in order to make informed decisions about goals for the Communities Project. Discussion centered on brainstorming what type of data would be beneficial, such as a report from the hospital regarding drug-related overdoses, information on the number of beds available in the sober homes that are serving those in recovery, information from emergency responders regarding how many calls are received and/or responded to related to drug overdose or drug-related instances, information on the number of children in our local shelter due to drug-related circumstances, and so forth. The data gathering could be part of the activities of the Communities Project. Chief Smith offered to inquire about gathering information regarding calls and responses within the city based on drug related incidents.

4. RECOVERY MONTH

4A. The City Council read the Recovery Month Proclamation during the regularly scheduled meeting in September.

4B. Discussion occurred regarding participating in the Saturday, November 17th Parade as a Coalition. Suggestions were made as to who could assist in decorating and participating in the parade. Members were in favor of participating. Blair Geisler was nominated as the coordinating member of this event.

4C. It was announced that the Chris Herren Event was rescheduled at Tivy High School for October 12, 2018 at 8 a.m. due to the hurricane evacuation where he was speaking prior to the initial event. Coalition members were invited to attend the event if available.

4D. Reviewed our participation in promoting Recovery Month through the Radio 94.3 interviews.

5. BOARD QUALIFICATIONS AND TERM LIMITS

5A. Members reviewed Board Qualifications to make any necessary adjustments and discussed terms for each member. Some of the qualifications on the website need to be changed or reworded since they have been altered already based on appointments.

5B. Members discussed providing input on the individuals that are appointed to the committee. It was determined that the Coalition does not provide input about their appointment in a voting manner but rather assist in the recruitment of eligible applicants to the Coalition. It removes the Coalition from responsibility on who is appointed to the Coalition which is more favorable.

6. REVIEW KRCC PURPOSE STATEMENT

6A. Reviewed the Purpose Statement of the Coalition and members discussed the previous purpose, City Council report focus, and being a resource for the City Council if they request input regarding any City Ordinances. The question was discussed as to whether the Coalition should still have review of the City Ordinances in the duties and powers. It was discussed that we should focus on our strengths as a Coalition and serve as an advisory capacity as requested by the City only. Chief Smith finalized that he would discuss the questions and concerns of the Coalition with the City Manager and City Attorney. The Coalition determined that it should be in an advisory capacity only.

6B. Re-assign Sub-Committees per KRCC Purpose Statement and it was discussed that the Kerrville Communities Project become a sub-committee of the KRCC. The prior sub-committees were identified and we determined that the Coalition table this discussion for the subsequent meeting due to a time limitation.

6B. It was approved by a motion that we table 6A, 6B, and 6C for the subsequent meeting.

7. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

7A. We will receive nominations for Chair Person of the KRCC.

7B. We will discuss sub-committees for the KRCC.

8. NEXT SCHEDULED RCC MEETING:

October 22, 2018, 4:00 p.m., City Hall Upstairs Conference Room

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: 10/22/18



Dale Trees, Chairperson

ATTEST:

