

Village of Cottage Grove

Notice of Public Meeting

PEER COURT STEERING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

5:15 P.M.

Village Hall
221 E Cottage Grove Rd.

1. **Call to order**
2. **Determination of quorum and that the agenda was properly posted.**
3. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES- Public's opportunity to speak about any subject that is not a specific agenda item.**
4. **Discuss and consider approval of minutes of the January 21, 2020 meeting.**
5. **Report from Briarpatch Youth Services.**
6. **Future agenda items.**
7. **Set next meeting date and time.**
8. **Adjournment.**

Submitted by Kathleen Giese, Chair

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Peer Court Minutes

1/21/2020

Present: Mark Hepfinger, Katie Giese, Jay Keifer, Officer Matt Wagner & Jeff Lennberg

5:15 meeting called to order, there was a quorum and the agenda was properly posted.

Properly posted

Minutes approved moved by Lennberg motioned and Mark Hepfinger seconded, approved 3-0

Report from Jay Keifer

Jay Keifer stated he is in the middle of interviewing people for Briarpatch Program Coordinator. The Program Coordinator is responsible for getting the reports out in advance, which did not happen for this meeting. Ciarra is gone and he was not able to get in to get reports to the year end statics earlier than this meeting, but we did have them in hand for the meeting and we revised them during the meeting.

Jay Keifer pointed out that there is an increase of the number of volunteers that are consistently wanting to come for the circle process. He said it is nice to have a good amount of young people that want to be involved in assisting.

Lennberg confirmed with Jay Keifer that RJC stands for "Restorative Justice Circle", which Jay Keifer confirmed.

Jay stated that December, 2019 is the last month that Peer Court would be seeing traffic violations and that is why traffic is still noted on report.

Jay Keifer mentioned that there are still some cases still pending, so that report isn't 100% set in stone. The committee will see them completed on the next report.

Jay Keifer gave us an update on the funding we discussed at our previous meeting. He stated he's got a meeting on it set for Tuesday 1/28/2020 and should have more information on that at our next meeting. He also stated he will have a good sense at our March meeting of where Briarpatch funding overall stands for the rest of the year.

Jay Keifer ended stated that he had 87 candidates for the Program Coordinator position. They screened them, narrowing it to 25 candidates. They've narrowed that further to 5 great candidate and 2 in house candidates. Jay Keifer anticipated they'd have a new coordinator in position at the end of January.

Katie Giese asked Jay Keifer asked what constitutes "disorderly conduct". Jay stated that it could be a fight. Officer Matt Wagner stated that "disorderly conduct" constitutes anything that does not have a state statute. Anything from verbal arguments to road rage, to students being disruptive in class. Basically, a violation of the peace. Matt Wagner looked it up online and read the definition for disorderly conduct.

Jay Keifer ended by saying the circle process takes longer. Lennberg asked what times 2 means on the report, to which Jay Keifer stated it means there were two violations.

Jay Keifer stated they have not seen many cases coming from Glacial Drumlin lately. Officer Wagner stated that is because the new principle handles discipline policy differently than the past principle. She keeps it in house and does not call the police as much as they did before. The committee agreed that is good to hear.

As a future agenda item, Jay Keifer stated he'd have the new Program Coordinator with to meet the committee.

Next meeting March 17, 2020 at 5:15pm

Jeff Lennberg motioned to adjourn and Mark Hepfinger seconded.

Adjourned 3-0 at 5:29pm