

T.C. Spirit Village C.A.C.

1/5/2021 meeting minutes

Members present:

Theresa Hohman, Erica Conway, Josh, Carolyn Payne, Katie Campbell, Linda Roberson, Shawn Neal, Jen Monte (sp?), Linda Hargrove

Carolyn called meeting to order, and new-comers introduced; Shawn Neal, City of Seattle Human Services & Jen Monte(?), Head of outreach for Ascension church of Magnolia

Approval of minutes:

December minutes were sent recently, members please read and send additions/comments/questions to Josh. February meeting will hold approval of December minutes.

Village Reports from Erica:

-Erica's dual role ending, as new case manager comes aboard Wednesday, 1/6/2021. New case manager has great experience and loves to serve.

-T.C. Spirit Village had a "wonderful" holiday season. Plenty of Thanksgiving food, Carolyn brought lots of Christmas lights, as well as much needed socks, gloves, hats. Next years' villager Christmas gift program will be a larger, more organized project.

-No major incidents this last month

-Village has been continuing high-standards. Chore duty improving, Erica has stressed accountability. 80% are completing chores and morale is high

-3 Residents moved out. One 19 year man now working on his GED at the O'Ryan Center. Another young man who had been on the streets for 5-6 years is now at the Glenn Hotel. Another man with mental health issues secured a spot at the coveted and newly renovated Frye Hotel by arriving at 5 am. New spot has views, private bathroom, stove. Lihi has bought him a bed. Residents stoked about their new homes.

-Issues with smoke detector tampering in bathrooms. Erica is getting wall brackets installed.

-Continuing chore accountability- chores must be finished before residents hit up the donation closet

-Recovery Cafe to start village visits each week. Leonard leads discussion/support, attendees able to load phone with minutes at each meeting attended!

-2 Units currently open. One to be filled Friday, the other will most likely be filled by weeks end by HSD team

-Village organizers involving & holding villagers accountable; checklists and unified customer service

-Erica bursting with pride over high village service standards!

Open Discussion/Questions:

-Carolyn question on village health re: COVID. Erica confirmed village still Covid-free. Working on villagers sneaking visitors in for safety sake.

-Carolyn question on hole in the fence: Erica confirmed it's #1 on the list, maintenance working on the hole and the blind spot

-Resident count currently at 28 ppl. Being Covid-free is a testament to villagers precautions; residents are good about wearing masks.

-Next Meeting Agenda: Setting C.A.C goals for 2021, not just "giving things". Next meeting come with ideas, attached is the list of possible initiatives from the park meeting last August.

-Public Health status? Two minor incidents, one an anxiety episode. Residents becoming more comfortable with health care when public health visits village.

-Josh; hoping next meeting will see more vaccine info, following discussion stressed need for vaccine education. Carolyn; some distrust among black and brown communities, can public health help with sending educational sources before-hand?

-Sean; Does the C.A.C. have any questions to take to the city? C.A.C.- not yet

Next Meeting:

2/2/2021, 1st Tuesday of every month

Happy New Year!