**DRAFT MEETING NOTES – CAC REVIEW/APPROVAL PENDING**

Interbay Village CAC Meeting November 2, 2020

Location: Zoom Meeting

# IN ATTENDANCE

**CAC**: Brad & Wendy Chamberlain, Candice Hoyt, Libby Stevenson, Janis Traven, Sue Olson;

**LIHI**: Andrew Constantino – Site Manager @ Interbay, Marv – resident, Becca Finkes – Tiny Cabins program;

Other: **HSD** Interbay contract: Shawn Neal; **Port of Seattle**: Mick Shultz; **Resident**: Marv

# BUSINESS

## Introductions

## Discussion on positions (who will be Chair and Minute Taker?)

* Libby Stevenson, chair; Candice Hoyt, Minutes

## Discussion on approval of minutes

* Janis motioned. Candice seconded. Approved: Candice, Libby, Janis. Others abstained, unsure of voting status.

# CASE MANAGEMENT REPORT – Andrew

1. 36 men + 15 women + 4 children & includes 7 couples
2. ER calls = 3 medical, 1 police
	1. Medical = 2 for 1 person, 1 for 1 person – non-COVID, both are well but under medical care
	2. Police = 1 called police because worried about safety of another villager during an argument with a partner
3. NO bars
4. Moved into housing (maybe duplicate report): Md & Jo; Jh moving out this week
	1. Jh taking bids for art show tomorrow 11/3
5. Kitchen coordinator – Daniel/Danny – kitchen manager at Interbay. Hired by Americorps working at LIHI with food protocols for all the villages.
6. Other full-time employment – 2 working for UPS
7. 3 villagers in in-depth conversations about drug treatment – not sure if they’ll follow-up but it’s good they’re starting to have that conversation.
8. 1 villager making progress with CPS to have visitation with her children

# VILLAGE MANAGEMENT REPORT – Andrew

1. Halloween! Andrew will send pics of kids in costumes 😊 – reverse trick or treat; adults went door to door and kids had to say trick or treat to get one
2. Meals from Blaine – changed to 2x per week to reduce waste – Annette de Soto community member
3. New hotspots for the village from the library. There was a manufacturing defect originally – sometimes needed to remove battery and plug in, etc. Interbay is first to get new hotspot model and hoping it will work better.
4. Kids are getting spoiled by the community, and the parents are getting very teary.

## Looking for a new model of rewards and punishment.

* Contingency drug treatment from NYT article – instead of disciplinary issue (punishment) – gift cards for rewards. If they do all the things they’re supposed to, they would be entered into reward system.
* Candice has training experience in “behavior management” and will talk with Andrew about positive reinforcement and other responses to problematic behavior

## For tent cities that converted to tiny cabin villages

* Interbay, Camp Second Chance, Georgetown
* Past traditions / now a tiny cabin village (foster children)
* How do we work that model?

# VILLAGE RESIDENT REPORT - Marv

## Wants to know about fixing the fencing where the car crashed

* There’s a pathway on one side of the village (fire exit) that is now accessible to people camping out and the village perimeter is vulnerable.
* Mick will email the Port to find out who’s responsible and get it fixed.

## During COVID containment, special difficulties…

* Communication is difficult – village meetings are capped at 10, so make it difficult when everyone’s not together to hear the info at the same time
* Trouble keeping areas clean with more people home all day
* Morale seems pretty good though

## Other…

1. No COVID infections in any of the villages
2. The residents, Wendy, Sue, Libby… appreciation for each other – what they bring but also missing spending time together vs drop off food at the gate
3. Having visitors made it feel easier to be at the village

# OPEN DISCUSSION / PUBLIC COMMENT

## Christmas gifts for villagers

### 1. Christmas gift tags – Lemonade Stand (Candice)

Lemonade Stand will have “tags” at local businesses with a person’s “want” to be fulfilled; people can select one, purchase it, and wrap it for the recipient; was thinking about including the villagers in this but doesn’t have to be.

### 2. Gift cards – Ecumenical Society (Sue Olson)

* Churches collecting gift cards to full-service type shops – Fred Meyer, etc. – so the resident can get clothes, toys, food, toiletries, etc. Starbucks is also requested.
* Cards are $15 each.
* Candice will share on FB groups.
* Andrew will be the card holder, cards delivered directly to him.
* Collecting: Sue, faith communities, Candice (next to Albertsons)

## Christmas Celebrations!

* Christmas cards with personal messages to each resident.
* Stockings hanging on the doors and little stuffers to go into them.
* Date = Monday 12/21
* Libby will help find Santa costume for Marv and elf costume for Andrew!

## Gift giving by the residents

* Parents & grandparents want to give gifts to their children/grandchildren
* They want to give gifts to others in the community – other unhoused people
* Can we find a way for the villagers to be the givers? More often, not just Christmas?

## Donation Coordination

* Andrew working with LIHI donations manager
* Someone came to help clean out the donations shed to take things to other villages, etc., that were not in need at Interbay
* Andrew gave them the gas money they requested to transport around the city to bring the donations to people in the tent encampments, etc.

## Village Photography – Annie Lalish

* Has taken photos of the village
* She’ll document other seasonal changes – village at night – snow
* Andrew will talk to her about 12/21 Christmas in the village.

# DISCUSSION ON NEXT MEETING

* Agreed to meet 12/7/20

*Minutes by: Candice Hoyt*