

**TOWN of SHELBURNE
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday
March 23, 2016 - 5:00 P.M.
Shelburne Town Center**

Present: David Cranmer (Chair), Pete Gadue, Margaret Ottinger, Tom Zenaty

5:00 1. **Call to Order (Introductions)**

2. **Consider Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Tom Z, seconded by Margaret O.

3. **Citizen Participation:** Guests included Georgene Grover, Suzanne Newberry, Debra Niemasz and Nancy Baker. See 5a below.

4. **Approval of the minutes of February 24, 2016:** moved by Tom Z and seconded by Pete G.

5:10 5. **New Business**

a. Potential New Members Q&A: This occupied the great majority of our meeting. David C offered some overview of the work of the Social Services Committee over time and our guests had a variety of questions that were addressed. It is understood that at least three of them have submitted letters to Joe Colangelo, expressing interest in filling the three openings on the Committee. It is understood others may also written to Joe about the same. The Selectboard has requested that potential new committee members come to their April 12th meeting to talk about their possible assignment.

6. **Old Business**

a. Food Shelf Committee Update: Tom provided a brief overview of recent changes and progress.

b. Discussion: Recruiting New Members: It appears we have a nice cadre of interested individuals.

c. Discussion: Transition to New Members: Barbara and Margaret will remain on the committee and will be able to assist in orienting/transitioning new members.

d. Discussion: 2016 Plans: this is deferred to allow the new committee to develop its own plans.

7. **Other business**

a. Student Projects (Katie/Gabrielle): Katie and Gabrielle were not in attendance. There is some understanding that their formal assignment to the committee ends sometime in the near future. We have enjoyed their participation and willingness to consider how to involve the CVU community in social service issues in town.

b. Shelburne News Article: David will generate something in the near future.

c. Barbara Cimaglio's email: Barbara (a member of the SSSC and the Shelburne Food Shelf Board of Directors – SFSBoD) has suggested that the newly revamped SSSC consider how it might work with the SFSBoD in the future.

d. NEXT MEETING (United Way presentation) – April 27, 2016 at 5:00 pm in the town offices.

6:30 8. **Adjourn;** moved by Margaret O and seconded by Pete G.

Respectfully submitted by Tom Zenaty