

**“DRAFT” Town of Shelburne
Social Services Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday September 26, 2018 at 7:00pm**

Call to order at 7:05pm

Committee members Present: Kristin, Barbra, Deborah, Georgene, Sue, Pat

Guests: Jesse Bridges (CEO) and John Cronin (Director of Donor Relations) of United Way.

Georgene made a motion to approve the agenda and Kristin seconded. All approved.

Citizen participation: No Citizen participation.

Approval of minutes from August 22, 2018 meeting with one correction from Sue, “That there is a plan to invite Representative Jessica Brumsted to the next meeting”

Treasurer report: Deb Niemasz stated no changes. Grant fund is \$40, 590.00 while Community fund is \$4511.45

Both John and Jessie of United Way discussed the 2018 community investments initiatives, accountability of the agency, number of Shelburne residents affected, vulnerable population numbers and Social economic status in Chittenden County and lastly the Working Bridge program. They talked about what United Way is doing different, such as their engagement working heavily with the community. John said will share with the Social Services Committee the numbers in February 2019.

Patricia Fontaine gave an update on the Support for Racial justice initiative to take place within the Shelburne community. A PBS documentary “Race the power of illusion” kicking off October 8, October 22 and November 5th at 6:30pm – 8:30pm. Sue, stated the publication is ready, she will be posting the information on front porch forum and other places such as Town Offices.

Sue Furry gave an update on the Childcare for working families. She found the Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children (VTAEYC) which is based in Shelburne that works to build public awareness about early childhood and early childhood issues through advocacy and outreach. She is planning to invite a contact from the Association to the November meeting.

Georgene gave an update on the invitations to apply for grants. Georgene stated she has received some responses. She stated that need a timeline /deadline on receiving the information and the disbursement of the funds. More discussion to follow in a future meeting.

The committee needs some form of sustainability for the different roles such as treasurer, chair etc. Discussion to continue.

Georgene plans to invite resources from the Shelburne police, school, rotary connection, Harbor place, Connecting Youth program.

Date and Time of next Meeting: 7:00pm on October 24th, 2018.

