

Recovery Aroostook
Board/Committee Meeting Agenda
Tuesday 4/24/23
5:00pm-6:00pm (Board) 6:00pm-7:00pm (Committee)
CARL Office

Present: Missy, Liz, April, Jaclyn, Joey (UMPI Student), Jon, Bill Flagg
(CARL)

Board Meeting

- ROTR/Grant-Mike - tabled, as Mike is not present. The group discussed feelings about moving forward with this grant at this time.
- Powers Building - apply for a grant to purchase and update the building. There are three apartments, one three bedroom, one two bedroom, and one one bedroom. (\$50,000 purchase price, finance \$35,000, Renovate \$75,000) The group discussed contacting Genesis (a non profit loan program) for a loan with a low interest rate. There were some reservations and discussions regarding the expense and responsibility of owning a building with apartments as well office space. There was also discussion about making sure we have apartments available for sober house residents to move into once their year is up.
- Annual Report - tabled
- Possible Grant Opportunities - tabled
- VISTA - 2 Summer workers early May to Mid August, 35 hours a week. The group discussed the two job descriptions for these positions. April will get Missy a quick narrative write up.
- Recovery House Update/"Fun Fund" - Men and Women's house got together without a plan, but it was a great thing to see. Missy brought to the group the idea of a fund to help them create more of a community between the two houses. Jon mentioned the Rendezvous. Missy will work with the houses to create a "plan" for a request from the houses for funding. We will use summer bottle donation money to cover these requests.
- Bingo - May 1. We have people willing to donate food/refreshments
- Sustaining Donors - We currently have 10 sustaining donors and April is receiving questions about it on a weekly basis.

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- Calendar of meetings - the group would like to create a calendar for Recovery Aroostook to post for our community. April will work on producing something for our website.



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Community Meeting

Call to Order-Jon

Introduce Board Members-Jon Holabird, board chair; Missy Dewitt, vice chair; Elizabeth Holabird, treasurer; April Flagg, media relations/secretary; Jaclyn Gibert, consultant. Guest: Student from Lisa Ludec's UMPI's class, Joey.

Secretary Report/Media Report-April

April Reported that our Facebook page is very active. We had 9,000 engagements last month and 25 new likes. Minutes from the last meeting posted last month.

Treasures Report-Liz

\$7,218.43

\$600 (Men's House)

\$2000 (Scholarship Fund)

Two members have come in and used the fund.

\$4,618.43

Old Business

- Recovery Run - July 15th
 - Last Chance Motorcycle Club is teaming up with Son of Saints to create a large ride. The Group will need volunteers for the event. This will be a big ride, \$25 per bike with all proceeds to benefit Recovery Aroostook. Plourde's is under new membership. Ben Adams has offered to leave his store open late that day to help us out. The initial thought was 10 am to 3 pm. All the food will be done at Plourde's. We already have Roger Sirois. John will approach Kevin Kinney to donate the food. We can also supply waters for stops. Jon will reach out to the Last Chance and Son of Saints and set up a zoom meeting.
- Gala (Snowbowl) - we will table this and pull it back after we have a chance to pass it by Troy and Jim.

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- Bingo - May 1st, 2023. We will have representatives from Recovery Aroostook and from the houses. We should bring/offer free refreshments. The women's house will produce some refreshments. We have a community member who really wants to help and bring refreshments. We are creating two gift baskets that we will raffle off. We will sell tickets throughout the month of May.
- 5K - You Matter. September 2nd Starting at 8 am
 - April is still working hard to get in contact with the Police Chief of PI.
 - Have County Inflatables (Jon)
 - County Kettle Corn (Missy)
 - Funnel Cake? (Jon)
 - Cookie person is a go (April - All set)
 - Maple Moose? (Missy)
 - Looking for "Vendors" for our You Matter Event.
 - Jamie will take care of the water
 - The group talked about opening up for designs for a tshirt.
 - Burger Boy food truck Dustin Mancos
 - DJ?

New Business

- Volunteers - April will reach out to them for September 2nd/July 15th.
- New T-Shirt Ideas - April showed the group the ideas we had for a tshirt.
- Summer festival? Dunking booth...something around water. Caribou Cares? We want a way to involve our community.
- Trunk or Treat needs to go on our radar. The group really enjoyed our involvement last year.
- Questions/Other Ideas?

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Assignments:

Jon: will get price for raffle tickets, will set up a meeting with the bike ride representatives, will reach out to county inflatable, and the funnel cake people.

Missy: will get the women's house ready to bake for bingo, will reach out to County Kettle Corn, Maple Moose, Funnel Cake, Burger Boy (Dustin)

April: Reach out to Gary regarding becoming involved in Caribou Cares...could we do a spin off with Recovery Aroostook and do a penny carnival. Will write a press release for MARR recertification, will write up job descriptions for the VISTA. Will get the thank you card for Gary at the Rec completed and dropped or mailed out. Minutes will be complete and posted to Facebook by the end of the week.
