# Rock Hill Commission for Children and Youth November 2, 2020 Zoom Meeting 5:30 PM

The Commission serves to enhance and promote the positive development of all children and youth through comprehensive collaborative action. The Commission will utilize all of the community's resources, public and private agencies, businesses, church and civic organizations, to promote the health, safety, education and social well-being of all children and youth.

#### **MINUTES**

Present: Jenifer Crawford, John Sanders, Mary Robbins Evans, Sarah Hopkins, Sara Blancke,

Queenie Hall, Cindy Taubenkimel, Erica Smith

**Absent:** Clair Roberts

Staff: Garnet McKeown, Patti Panetti, Olivia Reed

CALL TO ORDER 5:33 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Minutes from Oct. 2020 were approved

## **Old Business**

• Patti updated us on her move to Fewell Park from City Hall

## **Youth Council Report**

- COVID has impacted Youth Council member numbers
- Youth Grant presentations begin Nov. 11 (11/2 deadline to turn them in)
  - 14 grants last year
  - 5 this year
- Youth Council projects continue:
  - "Courage Over COVID"
  - o Luminaries (approx. 600 on Sat. Dec. 5 for ChristmasVille)
    - Will be put up around Fountain Park and Main Street (may go to other places depending on requests)
- There will be signs to say the luminaries are put out in honor of those who lost loved ones to COVID, but names will most likely not be written on them
- Request for youth organizations and church youth groups to help
  - o St. John's and Winthrop's BSW and Phi Alpha Club may help too

### **ACES & Resilience Task Force Report**

• No report

## **Ambassadors' Meeting Report**

- Looking to drive people to the #1 Question Facebook page
  - Market more heavily

- o Will be meeting with the PRT Marketing team
- Goal is to help people digitally at this time and to see what they can do to make info available to families

## **Additional Comments**

- Giving Tuesday
  - o Tuesday after Thanksgiving Tues, Dec. 1
  - o Dine Out Do Good will not happen this year, instead focus on activating the giver community
    - Love letters to community
- Working with local non-profits
- Invite people to write letters/sing songs etc. about what they appreciate about someone in the community
- Follow YCSC Gives Facebook page for more details
- Morton and Gettys sponsoring new initiative Volunteer of the Year contest
- Nominees will receive recognition and the nominating non-profit will receive \$500 grant from Morton and Gettys
- PRT News
  - Virtual Christmas parade
    - 10,000 ppl typically come to make it safe this year, it will be virtual
    - Deadline to submit video is Friday, Nov. 6
    - About 30 applications so far
    - School groups enter for free, non-profits are \$25, and businesses are \$50
  - o TAP Into the Arts art show
    - Therapeutic Art programs photography, watercolor, pottery, alcohol ink tiles for sale
    - Nov. 19 6:30-8 at Sports & Events Center
  - o PRT programs going well and trails being widely used
  - Basketball youth programs
    - Log onto Civic Rec to sign up from PRT's page
    - Games will be played at the Sports and Events Center
- No CCY Dec. meeting
  - o Retreat and goal setting tentatively scheduled for first Monday in February
    - At a PRT location, socially distanced and meal provided
- Navigating Pandemic video series and upcoming Gratitude During Holidays video series recommended from the Rock Hill School District

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Olivia Reed