

Live Well Kingston July Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 15, 2020, 4 – 5:30pm, GotToMeeting

- I. Call to Order: 4:11
 - A. In Attendance:
 1. Commissioners: Melinda Herzog, Lori Ferguson, Anna Brett
 2. Guests: Emily Flynn, Dough Koop, Katrina Light
- II. Reports
 - A. [Play Well Action Plan](#) has been updated.
 1. Met in June
 2. Reviewed the status of available programming and parks
 3. Chess table programming has been put on hold.
 4. Identified communications topics
 5. Kingston Library Sidewalk Course/treasure hunt project
 - B. Kingston Emergency Food Collaborative Update
 1. Katrina Light, Hudson Valley Farm Hub

KEFC started in early March when around 15 agencies came together to provide food when the KCSD closed due to COVID. March 18th 175 meals from the Everette Hodge were delivered. Created a hotline. No restrictions on food, anyone could get food. The next week or so Project Resilience (an Ulster County project) started purchasing meals and adding them to our delivery system. Meal delivery increased rapidly over the next couple of months. Meal support is still happening. 77,617 prepared meals have been delivered. At our peak we were delivering 3K meals a day. The YMCA was the main meal distribution point. Soon after meals, groceries from People's Place delivery started. Groceries last longer and are more sustainable. 4,800 grocery deliveries have been made. Partnered with Community Action and Catholic Charities to do more grocery delivery. Served over 1,200 families, 4300 people. 305,000 total meals (includes meals and groceries) have been delivered. This was possible because of the partnerships between the different organizations. Over 600 volunteers were managed. Food insecurity is still continuing and the Collaborative is having long-term conversations. Hodge meals will end August 14th. Catholic Charities will be ending their deliveries in August but People's Place is planning to continue. The KEFC is hoping that they won't have to ramp back up in the fall in response to an increase in COVID.

2. The KEFC had a procurement team that pulled together groceries from the Farm Hub and other sources that were used to supplement the food pantry resources. Volunteers are still needed to support this work.
 3. Follow up survey for recipients? How can we find out what is needed in the community and still preserve confidentiality.
- III. Approval of Minutes - postponed until the next meeting because of a lack of quorum.
 - A. [February Meeting Notes](#)
 - B. [June Meeting Notes](#)
 - IV. Administrative Manners - postponed until the next meeting because of a lack of quorum.
 - A. Open Commission Seat
 - B. Are we able to vote by email? Emily will look into this.
 - V. Old Business
 - A. [Community Agreements](#) - postponed until the next meeting because of a lack of quorum.
 - B. Urban Ag/Grow Well Update - Still considering being a Focus Team of Live Well. No official request yet.
 - C. [Undoing Racism Training](#) - Emily has ordered 25 copies of *So You Want to Talk About Race, Ijeoma Oluo*, and will be distributing to the Commission and any Focus Team Members who expressed interest. Emily will continue to look for trainings for the commission.
 - VI. New Business
 - A. Wood burning in Kingston - A pizza restaurant in Kingston has been burning wood in Uptown and the smoke is going into nearby buildings.
 - VII. Announcements and Communications
 - VIII. Focus Team Meetings and other Events
 - A. 09 Jul Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - B. 10 Jul Heal Well Focus Team Meeting
 - C. 14 Jul Age Well Focus Team Meeting
 - D. 15 Jul Live Well Kingston Commission Meeting
 - E. 16 Jul Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - F. 23 Jul Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - G. 30 Jul Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - H. 05 Aug Eat Well Focus Team Meeting
 - I. 06 Aug Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - J. 12 Aug Complete Streets Advisory Council Meeting
 - K. 13 Aug Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - L. 19 Aug Live Well Kingston Commission Meeting
 - M. 20 Aug Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride
 - N. 27 Aug Bike Friendly Kingston Slow Ride

Meeting Adjourned: 4:49