

**East Lyme Youth Services Commission
March 9, 2023
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm

Present:

Jerry Lokken, Julie Dowling, Julie Horner, Pat Larkin, Kathleen Kovalanka, Ken Roberts

1. Preliminary Business
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance was observed.
 - b. Delegations: none
 - c. February meeting minutes approved. Kathleen Kovalanka to motion, Julie Dowling to second.
2. First Selectman Report: None
3. Middle School Students Report: None
4. Director's Report: None
5. New Business: We recapped last month's meeting for those who did not attend to better understand what the merger means. The commission will continue to help facilitate the new family social services department that the town is looking into developing. What the commission will look like is still unknown. The group will continue to meet so the town complies with the state requirements. Maybe money from the opioid settlement could potentially help fund the new department. Jerry will reach out to the coalition and see if there are members who also would like to join the commission. We need more members. Discussion about the Jeffery Rainbow Run Scholarship fund and if there are enough funds to provide an award. Jerry will reach out to Dave on the specifics.
6. Old Business: None.
7. Discussion: None.
8. Adjournment: motion made by Kathleen Kovalanka, seconded by Julie Dowling to adjourn at 6:43pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Dowling

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