



## Cannon Falls CHI Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/19/2011      Time: 7:00 p.m.

*Healthy kids*

*Healthy families*

*Healthy communities*

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<b>Attendees:</b>	Judy Haberman	Deb Norstad	Nancy Mills	Phil Hammes	Stacy Larson
<b>Not Present:</b>	Pat Dougherty	Dean Lundgren	Glenn Christian	Kathy Illa	Scott Mattingly

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I. The attendees welcomed Deb Norstad to the meeting. Deb is a lifelong member of the Cannon Falls community and is interested in getting more information on the CF CHI Council for consideration in becoming a council member.

II. Phil motioned to approve the agenda and August Meeting Minutes, and Nancy seconded that motion. The motion was carried.

III. Stacy provided the treasurers report. There was one expense since last month which was the payment of \$250 to the CFHS for the 2011 CHI Scholarship. The current balance is \$4,048.27. Nancy motioned to approve the treasurer's report and this was seconded by Phil. All approved, motion carried.

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### Key Business Items

#### **a. Update on Goodhue County Ordinances**

Stacy provided a brief update on the Goodhue County ordinance activity. The ordinances were presented to the Zumbrota City Council last Thursday on 9/15. The council decided to table the discussion until their next meeting which will be 10/6 where they will discuss further and hopefully proceed with the vote.

The Cannon Falls Ordinances are in the process of being written into the City Code. We hope that they will be approved and put into effect around the end of October/November timeframe.

We are also working on Bellechester and will be approaching Dennison and Pine Island thereafter.

#### **b. Council Recruitment ~ Filling of Open Positions**

Deb Norstad was present this evening as she is considering participating, thank you Deb! Stacy also contacted Jan & Dan Fennern along with the Judy Conway at the PTO who will bring the CHI up in the PTO meeting in hopes that we can get a PTO representative. Stacy also has been working with Julie Hatch on implementing the structure to have representatives from the CF SADD and School CHAT teams involved as well. The CF SADD group has their first meeting this Wed. where Julie will be talking to them about having the SADD officers participate on the council and attend our monthly meetings. Julie will also be talking to the CHAT team to get representatives be present as well.


We have an additional position open as of this month. Scott Mattingly has accepted a new position in the cities and has resigned from the Cannon Falls Police Department; therefore, we have accepted his resignation from the council. Stacy will reach out to Jeff McCormick to see if there is someone else from the PD who represents the Law Enforcement sector on the council.


Stacy encourages all CHI council members to reach out to community members and local groups and actively recruit as well.

### **c. 2012 CHI Scholarship Discussion**

The group discussed the plan for the upcoming 2012 CHI Scholarship. Last year when the scholarship was put in place, we discussed establishing a fundraising activity that will support and sustain the scholarship program.


The group brainstormed about possible activities, following is a list of options:


 Stacy brought up an option that the Baalson family did in KW which raised funds for the KW SADD group. (The Baalson's lost their 19 year old son in a chemical related car crash earlier this year.) They offered a Sober Cab during the Kenyon Rose fest weekend and charged per ride. This option would give the CHI an opportunity to show the community that we are looking out for the safety of the community and also provide some funds for the scholarship program. We talked about possible opportunities of when we can offer this, one came to mind which was Alumni Basketball Tournament weekend which is typically the last weekend in January/first weekend in February. Or, there can be other opportunities where we can offer this service during the year. We welcome additional ideas and feedback on this option.


 Other options would be:


- School Dance (Possibly partner with SADD on expenses and split profits for the scholarship fund?)
- Movie Night (Possibly partner with SADD on expenses and split profits for the scholarship fund?)
- Activity Night at the Band Shell/Downtown Athletic Field
- CHI Walk – Kids would raise donations/pledges. Walk would be led by Howie.
- Bake Sale
- Rollerskating Activity?


### **d. Upcoming Event Review**

 Homecoming: The Homecoming activities are coming up very quickly on 9/30. Stacy mentioned maybe we could have the cheerleaders throw out CHI Frisbees at the event. We will investigate further. If they can't at this game, maybe they could at a future event.

 Parent/Teacher Conferences: In the past, the CHI has supplied a PowerPoint presentation that is displayed in the commons area of the school so the parents can read while waiting to talk to the teachers. This has worked out well. The attendees discussed having Council handouts available to encourage involvement in the group. We talked about having council members attend along with the SADD students to hand out information and answer any questions.

 Halloween: Last year the format changed a bit for the downtown event so we had Howie participate in the local PTO Halloween Carnival. Stacy will contact the PTO to see if they are planning the carnival again this year and if we can have Howie present. We will need a handler for Howie to be present, Phil offered to do it again. Thank you Phil! We can consider having Howie hand out pencils/bookmarks/coloring books. We will need to investigate the cost.

 Goodhue County CHI is planning to participate in the Prescription Drug Take Back Event which is planned for 10/29. Julie is currently working with the local Police Chiefs to organize involvement. Last Spring, CF participated and hosted our local event at Scofields where Chief McCormick, Stacy and Chris from the SADD group participated. It is anticipated that this will be the format again this time as well.

 Annual Red Ribbon Week & National Drug Facts Week Event: 10/31 – 11/6

#### **e. Council Officer Discussion:**

At the current time, the only officer we have in place for our council is the position of secretary. We really need to fill the vacancies of Chairperson, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer. Since we had a small group at this meeting, we were unable to proceed. Stacy brought up an idea of having a nominating committee who will figure out the council officers. She will be contacting existing members regarding these positions and options associated.

### **Sharing and Open Discussion**

#### **RW Paraphernalia Ordinance**

Stacy mentioned that Red Wing is going for a Paraphilia Ordinance which will ban the sales of Paraphernalia at the local smoke shop. The ordinance has been drafted and will be presented at the Red Wing City Council Public Hearing on 9/26 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Channel 12 Presentation**

Stacy put a short CHI presentation together that includes information on the Cannon Falls CHI group along with statistics and slides encouraging members of the community to get involved. She sent the presentation to Mike Gesme who posted it in mid-September and will continue to run it until we contact him. Stacy also discussed the option of having a CHI presentation running consistently so we can just change up the presentation somewhat to highlight different topics, etc. and Mike will change it out. Mike was more than happy to include our presentations on a continual basis.

Mike also mentioned that they offer videotaping and other media services. It got us thinking that it would be great to put together "commercial" featuring local SADD students that include anti-drug/alcohol messages and promote prevention and chemical free lifestyles. This is maybe a project that we can work with the school and SADD group in the near future. Then we can have them run the "commercials" on Channel 12. Phil mentioned that they also have a relationship with the other local area access channels and could share presentations or these video clips with other channels.

#### **Zumbrota CHI Town Hall Meeting**

The Zumbrota CHI Council will be sponsoring a CHI Town Hall meeting on 10/12 at 7 pm for the community of Zumbrota. The council and SADD students will be presenting an overview of the CHI, local trend information and statistics. Police Officer Gene Leifeld will be the guest speaker. He will be sharing his "toy box" of paraphernalia, drugs, etc. and talk about what they are seeing from a Law Enforcement perspective.

#### **CHI Evaluation Process**

Goodhue County CHI will be performing their routine CHI Evaluation process starting in October. The evaluation process will consist of a random Community CHI Survey, Key Informant Interviews and Youth Focus Groups. If you know of various individuals in the community who would be good to include in the Key Informant interview process, please let Stacy know.

#### **Rochester Post-Bulletin Articles**

Stacy shared the two articles that were included in the August 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the Rochester Post Bulletin that featured the Goodhue County Chemical Health Initiative along with the activity surrounding the Social Host and Mandatory Alcohol Seller/Server Training Ordinances. Stacy pointed out the various interviews that were done with CHI Staff, Law Enforcement Officials including our Chief of Police Jeff McCormick along with Alcohol Establishment Owner and Bartenders who all provided supporting statements for the ordinances. The articles can be viewed on the CHI Website by clicking on the CHI In the News link off of the landing page.

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### **Meeting Wrap-Up**

**The next council meeting will be October 17 at 7 pm at First English Lutheran Church.**