



Housing and Human Services Commission

TOWN OF LYONS

6/14/21 meeting at town hall

draft

I. **Welcome / introductions / roll call**

Commissioners in attendance: Meg Waters (Scribe), Regan Bullers, Andrew Moore, Jennifer Schwartz, Crystal White (Co-Chair)

Liaisons: Lisa Ramsey (Town of Lyons Staff)

II. **Commission business**

- Minutes from 5/10/21 meeting approved.
- (Jennifer Schwartz) She will serve as co-chair with Crystal. She will put together the agenda.
- Since Rebecca Major has left the OUR Center, perhaps she would like to become a commissioner??

III. **Affordable housing**

- (Regan Bullers) Will be our commission's point person in discussing the Summit Housing project with the town. There have been structural changes within Summit. But we believe we are still looking at October to December for them to receive applications.
- Our commission's role can be to help people understand when and how to apply for this housing.
- (Crystal White) There will be a Town of Lyons Board of Trustees meeting to discuss the Summit project.

IV. **Vulnerable citizens list**

- (Jennifer Schwartz & Lisa Ramsey) Talked to seniors at the mental health picnic about the vulnerable citizens list going away, and alternatives.
- (Jennifer) Smart911 is now open for people to register.
- We need a one-page flyer with numbers to call in an emergency, as a quick-reference version of the Get Help Guide. Jennifer will run point on that.
- (Lisa) The Walt Self Center may be opening sometime in July. We should set up a seminar for Smart911. Maybe someone from Lyons Prepared could attend as well. The seminar wouldn't be just for seniors, but anyone who might need help in an emergency. Jennifer gives these presentations regularly.

V. **Mental health**

- (Crystal) She'll be our point person on mental health, looking into opportunities. She's working with Cherie at LEAF and Janaki Jane.



VI. Diversity, inclusion, & cultural issues

- (Regan Bullers & Crystal White) Race & Privilege Steering Committee is almost finished. They will have a couple more meetings. There will be follow-up meetings hosted by Lyons community organizations that will be a little less formal.
- (Regan) There will be a workshop about the history of race in the country and white privilege. It will be sometime in September. Also, the library will lead a talk around the book *Stamped*.
- (Crystal) If they print up flyers, she will distribute around town.

VII. zTrip

- (Lisa) There has been a big uptick in zTrip usage. We're hoping to get the bus back, or we'll have to start talking people into sharing rides so we don't run out of funds.
- (Lisa) We have \$40,000 from Boulder for this program for this year.
- (Lisa) She reached out to zTrip about misuse. Boulder County is happy with how we dealt with that. zTrip is dealing with the drivers who seemed to be allowing misuse of the vouchers.

VIII. Disaster preparedness

- What can we do to help people prepare for fire?
- (Jennifer & Lisa) Will work together on a flyer.

IX. Action items

- Meg Waters: Reach out to Kim Mitchell about getting the Get Help Guide PDF in a town e-blast.
- Lisa Ramsey & Jennifer Schwartz: Create & distribute flyer for disaster preparedness.
- Jennifer Schwartz: Create flyer with emergency numbers... is this the same as the disaster preparedness flyer?

X. Adjournment