Ridgefield Prevention Council Meeting December 20, 2023, 7:00pm Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street

Mission: The Ridgefield Prevention Council supports a safe and healthy environment for all Ridgefield families through awareness, education and positive alternatives to alcohol and other substance use and to reduce high-risk youth behaviors

"Ridgefield Prevention Council meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility."

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes: September, October & November minutes to be approved

Treasurer report: Karen Facini

Reports/Discussion:

- Updates From Last Meeting
 - Birdie Costs for 400 Seniors
 - o Project Graduation: Do we want a representative on their committee?
- December
 - o Anti-Vaping Contest
 - Holiday Stroll Recap
 - o Deborah Ann's Update
- January
 - o Postcards: Help needed?
 - o Marijuana Event- Playhouse update?
- February
 - 40 Asset Event Update
- Proposals for Rudy/ Opioid \$
 - o Postcards: Need cost analysis to send proposal
 - Dettera bags: Is Bissell interested in partnering again to distribute to customers?
 Cost for a case of 250 is \$734 (https://deterrasystem.com/products-for-business/)
- Social Media/ Text Messaging
 - o Is Text Messaging worth the cost? (https://www.slicktext.com/pricing.php)
 - Could this be paid for by Opioid Funds?

New Business:

- Grants/\$
 - o SOR Grant 2024
 - Lewis Fund Grant

- o Fathers Club/ Grinch Support
- Federal Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Grant- can we apply (do we have the credentials)? Application is released in January and they are due in March/April. Who wants to take this on? https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/drug-free-communities/funding-announcements.html
- January Dinner Set for 1/17. However we still have to have a separate meeting per the town. We will be voting on either a date change for the meeting, or a time change (maybe hold the meeting 1 hour before?).