



Georgetown Substance Abuse Advisory Panel

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*Georgetown Substance
Abuse Advisory Panel
MEETING Minutes
Friday, March 3, 2017
Georgetown Public Safety Building*

In attendance: Superintendent Carol Jacobs, Selectman Doug Dawes, Police Chief Donald Cudmore, Fire Chief Fred Mitchell, School Committee Vice Chair Pam Lundquist

Meeting called to order at 11 A.M.

Re: Funding – According to the current agreement with Healthy Pharms <http://www.healthypharms.org>, this panel will receive \$95K over 5 years to implement effective substance abuse prevention programs in Georgetown. Distribution will amount to \$10K in FY17, \$15K in FY18, \$20K in FY19, \$25K in FY20, and \$25K in FY21.

Re: Reflections – Chief Cudmore said that substance abuse and opiate problems are a primary call to service for the Police Department, along with mental health. For police officers, these issues are always on the table. Chief Mitchell indicated that Narcan is regularly used by fire & emergency personnel for individuals who have overdosed on opiates. Superintendent Jacobs would like to provide professional development in substance abuse prevention and recognition for teachers and staff. Selectman Dawes spoke about how citizens of all ages, including the elderly, struggle with addiction, and that perhaps the new Senior Center would provide a venue for helpful speakers. Pam Lundquist spoke about how while the school has been very supportive of prevention with curriculums, initiatives, and speakers, they could use some help to fund/find more comprehensive, current approaches and/or speakers.

Re: Goals for next meeting – Each member will prepare a draft mission statement for this committee, including 2-3 short term & 2-3 long term goals.

Re: Upcoming Meetings Scheduled – Friday, March 24th, 10am, at the Public Safety Building. Future meetings will include April 14th & 28th, 10am, at the Perley School.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted, *Pam Lundquist*