Child Safety Committee

Minutes 3/12/2014

Attendees: Members in attendance Bob Correia, Bill Dudley, Deb Spinelli, Lynda Walsh, Jeff Downs, Vicki Lowe Absent, Tim O'Leary

Guest: Jim Devellis

The Minutes for the 2/26/2014 were approved: Motion by Lynda Walsh/Second by Bill Dudley 5-0.

Discussion of email blast for registration and flyer for upcoming training...

Flyer was finalized with a couple changes and adding the registration link as well as the dates

Deb has had the email cover letter set up and the registration is available on line. We can track which sports teams are registering and which aren't so that we can give an added nudge to those who aren't registering.

Bobs cover letter for the email blast was edited and a final copy is available on file. Jeff will send the initial email out to all the Sports Leaque Presidents and they will in-turn send out to their coaches, etc.

The Reporter will have an article about the training and warrant, Bob Correia sat with the reporter for the interview.

Other publicity... Jeff will get the information to Deb G. in order for her Rec. Dept. staff to be trained. Lynda will ask for it to be announced in the Reporter's Calendar section. We will spread it on facebook, including the Foxborough Police Facebook page. A copy of the flyer will be sent to Mike Webber to have it on the calendar on Foxboro Cable Access.

Lynda will make copies for the Football sign up on Saturday, March 15, from 9-1.

Vicki shared a message from Chief O'Leary that he got an email from Missing and Exploited Children that they are working on a website for training that could be done online.

Bob would like to have the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts leaders come in to one of our meetings to see where their training, etc. is at. Mike Johns will give the names of the leaders to Bill Dudley.

Bob would like to ask Jim Devellis to ask the Town Manager to encourage folks on the town side that haven't taken the Darkness to Light training to do so. Vicki states that there are 36 employees who have taken it, and that all the departments within the town have had at least one person take the training.

Jim Devellis updated the group on the reception of the warrant article. When he met with acting Town Manager, Bob Cutler, he was concerned that Bob did not support the warrant article, stating that he doesn't feel that it should be added to our town Bylaws. Bob Cutler feels that the Bylaw itself is too complex and is concerned about liability and costs associated with it. He also states that there is nothing connecting it to a state madate, etc.

The next steps are a vote of the Board of Selectmen to approve the article, then onto the Adcom to recommend the article, then a final vote at Town Meeting. Once approved at town meeting, the article will go before the Attorney Generals office at which point they could approve or deny. If the AG's office deny's the Bylaw, we may need to go to legislation to get the rest of the state on the same page we are.

The next meeting will be held 3/26

Motion to adjourn by Bill/second by Jeff, motion carried 6-0