

102 W. MARKET STREET, SUITE 205

BLUFFTON, IN 46714

CITIZENS AGAINST DRUG ABUSE

April 9, 2015

4-H Community Building

In attendance: Vicki Andrews (Southern Wells Schools), Carl Cook (Helping Hands), Angie Dial (Family Centered Service – Teen Court), Molly Hoag, (Wells County Extension Service), Nathan Huss (Bluffton Police Department), Brian McClish (Ossian Police Department), Mark Misch (Northern Wells Community Schools), Stacy Morrison (Bluffton High School), Tammie Thompson (DCS), Greg Werich (Probation)

Welcome, Introduction and Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:35 by President Molly Hoag. An introduction of attendees was made.

Presentation of Minutes: Minutes of March 12, 2015, were presented but tabled as no one present was at the meeting except Angie and she wrote the minutes.

Grant Program Reports: There were no reports. Molly explained the report process for members.

New Members: Molly explained how new membership works.

Treasurer' Report: \$60.84 balance in checking account reported by Treasurer Stacy Morrison.

Unfinished Business: The checks went out to grant recipients. Letters also were in with the payments.

The comprehensive plan committee met to work on any changes that need to be made. The revised draft will need to be done before October. April 30 will be the next meeting.

The Education committee met at 11:00am today to discuss educating the community about drug abuse. Ideas were – billboards, church help, panel discussions, and other community information disbursements through fairs and other events. Mark suggested putting statistics out on billboards with factual information about Wells County.

New Business: We will not have the recognition dinner this year.

Angie filed state taxes April 8 and had filed Federal taxes in January. June 27, is the date Freedom Riders will be coming through Bluffton.

Community Concerns/Trends: CPS reported April is child abuse prevention month. Tammie Thompson from DCS said pinwheels and signs have been made and placed throughout the county to make people aware of child abuse and information for prevention.

April newsletter has been distributed.

Powdered alcohol is something new, not too much is known about it at this time.

Membership Sharing: Circuit and Superior Court judges have been invited to come to our meetings and are interested in coming.

Drug testing for synthetic drugs is being explored.

Jermaine Galloway will be coming to the area August 17, he has written "Tall Copy Says Stop".

1st grade health fair was April 7 and 8. It went very well and several high school students help out with the health fair.

Youth leadership forum is coming up. They talk about what they can do to fight drug abuse programs.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 12:18 pm, was made by Vicki seconded by Stacy. Motion passed.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 14, 11:30, at the 4-H Community Building

Submitted by: Vicki Andrews