

**Danby Community Council Meeting
Minutes
12-July-2012**

Present: Christel Trutmann (President), Robert Chase (Treasurer), Pat Curran, Ted Crane (Vice President), Amanda Walts

Excused: Julie Clougherty (Secretary)

Absent: Cathleen Banford

Public: Amie Hendrix (Tompkins County Youth Services), Dave Sanders (TCYS)

The meeting was brought to order at 7:07pm.

Clougherty was unable to attend the meeting. In her absence, Trutmann asked Crane to take minutes.

Trutmann summarized Youth Programming currently provided by Julie Kulik.

Chase reported on a work session during April, when he, Trutmann, and Crane resolved issues with the Federal and New York State tax returns. Returns and information forms were filed, and a procedure was developed for filing them in the future.

Trutmann summarized correspondence between CCE's Rural Youth Services and DCC regarding recovery of costs for usage of the CCE van for transportation. The correspondence began when CCE initiated a for-fee summer program and advertised it as part of the DCC Youth Programming. The "Homesteading" program will be presented, Julie Kulik (Danby's program manager) will participate, and attendees will be asked to pay a fee. However, reduced- or no-fee options are available for youth. It is our understanding that Julie Kulik's participation will not impact Danby's programming in the fall.

Crane reiterated his concern, previously expressed during the email correspondence, that the idea of requiring participants to pay for the program seems to be in conflict with the fact that the Town (among others) provides funds to cover the costs for Youth Programming.

Trutmann distributed a "Group Vitality and Accountability Assessment" questionnaire provided by the TC Youth Services Department, and the group worked its way through it. A lengthy, thoughtful discussion (encouraged by Item 4 under "Organization, Meetings, and Leadership") followed.

The County is also creating a "Needs Assessment" questionnaire, and we will be informed when it is ready.

Chase distributed his current financial report. He questioned the use of the category "scholarship" in our budgeting process. He suggested, "grant," instead.

Curran volunteered to liaise with Bob Strichartz regarding the concert program.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.