**3/25/2021 CHC Coalition Meeting Minutes**

* Attendance
  + 11:00 – Bob Rannells, Lori Simonton, Troy Thacker, Brandi Betts, Bernadette Chaney, Ashley Riegel, Tiffany Ratcliff, Brandon Grigsby, Tammy Riegel, Marissa McDaid, Travis West, Tina Spanos, Angie Patterson, & Tiffany Pierce.
  + 6:00 – no one joined me… ☹
* Coalition Welcome Packets
  + Materials include:
    - Coalition Orientation Packet
    - Coalition MOU
    - Subcommittee Agreement
    - Coalition Recruitment Plan – draft
    - Coalition Recruitment Flyer
    - Wyman Park Renovation materials
      * CHC Funding Reallocation Letter
      * Wyman Park Project Proposal Letter w/ Budget
      * Quote for new equipment & installation
* Community Project Survey
  + Posted on Facebook 2/23/2021
    - Only received 13 responses – most from Coalition members
  + CHC Coord. to share survey link and flyer with Coalition to share on personal Facebook pages with short blurb about why we sit on the CHC Coalition in attempt to get more county residents’ input.
  + Survey link 🡪 <https://forms.gle/GUk9CZfA1uRbLyMB8>
* Coalition Building/Recruitment
  + Reaching those who are not represented on Coalition
    - Low-income, disabled, decreased access to technology, and all other historically under-represented
  + Need more feedback from local decision makers
    - Village Council – CHC Coord. has attended 2 meetings and Council is receptive to CHC projects
    - Mayor – Mayor Hammond is very supportive and participates as much as possible. Has offered lot beside Hammond Hardware for Hamden Farmers’ Market branch
    - Commissioners – hard to reach. Need to attend Tuesday meetings more often to share information and get support/feedback from all Commissioners
  + Facebook has been primary means of gathering Community feedback but is lacking…. Ideas?
    - Share surveys on personal FB pages with blurb about being on the Coalition and/or supporting the projects – not just sharing VCHD post – make it personal
    - Put flyer/handout in boxes during food giveaways with survey and/or survey link
    - Newspaper – although not always successful these days
    - Radio
    - Inviting others to attend meeting as a “Free trial” without committing to Coalition
    - Reach out to personal and professional contacts
    - Share CHC information with others
    - Consider those who would be helpful with specific CHC projects by means of experience, labor, monetary, connections, etc. – not the whole group.
* Update from Troy Thacker re: all Healthy Eating Projects
  + Farmers’ & Crafters’ Market
    - Opening day is April 10, 2021
    - Will run April through Thanksgiving weekend
    - 3 locations – all on Saturdays 9-12 or until sold out
      * McArthur – in new HS parking lot
      * Hamden – lot beside Hammond Hardware (93/160)
      * Wilkesville – at village park on 160
    - Several vendors scheduled to attend:
      * Eggs, Amish products, flowers, plus some
    - CHC has provided tents, feather flags, COVID banners, tables, free-standing sanitizer stands, & sanitizer for markets
  + Healthy Vending
    - CHC purchased 2 machines for placement at Superior Hardwoods – installed January 2021
    - Josh (client of Vinton Ind.) is managing all sales, ordering, and meeting w/ new interested sites
    - Installed 2 machines at Vinton Ind. but not healthy
    - 4 more machines coming – **placement…?**
    - VI giving sites option to adopt healthy vending policy – most are receptive
  + Community Garden
    - CHC attempting to purchase greenhouses for Vinton Ind. use at Community Garden site from local family
    - Submitted proposal to purchase those on 3/25/2021
    - Planning to charge $10/year to use garden plot
    - NO charge to local groups or organizations that want to use garden – boy/girl scouts, senior citizens, FFA, FCCLA, etc.
    - Must present seeds to Vinton Ind. to approve prior to planting
    - Vinton Ind. will provide water and Seven dust or spray
    - Will have traditional ground plots and raised beds
* Update on all Active Living Projects
  + Bike Infrastructure
    - Bike Ride w/ Catherine – 5-6 participants to ride around McArthur and identify barriers to safe biking
    - Installing 10 bike racks around McArthur to encourage biking
      * Ideas for placement of bike racks?
      * Take note of areas where bike racks are present and where we feel they would be beneficial. Give that info to CHC Coordinator as needed.
    - Bike lanes likely not appropriate for Vinton County but other strategies will greatly increase biking safety
  + Complete Streets
    - Attended McArthur Village Council meetings in Feb & Mar to present information
      * Feb – provided all Council members with a lot of Complete Streets information & brief rundown of policies
      * Mar – gave Council the chance to ask questions about the information shared and respond in regards to policy adoption for McArthur
      * Policy would help to guide future street projects to ensure McArthur streets are safe to use by everyone – not just vehicles
      * Is this street safe for cars? Walkers? Bikers? Wheelchairs? Strollers? Etc.
      * Active Living Subcommittee will meet in early April to assist w/ drafting Complete Streets Policy for McArthur
      * Returning in April to McArthur Village Council meeting to present policy draft
  + Wyman Park Renovations
    - CHC received $49,281 additional funding from ODH for park
      * This will cover 2 new play structures to replace older ones on both sides of park plus cost of installation
      * Equipment will arrive in 8-10 weeks and will be stored at the County Garage – Jason Walker granted permission to Mayor Hammond 3/22/2021.
    - Must rearrange several pieces of equipment that will be staying in order to meet state code & increase safety of park
      * Will need to find local person to remove and re-install tire swing and swing rail on left side of park
        + Swing needs to go back ~6 feet and tire swing needs to be parallel to it.
      * Swing rail on right side will be replaced through Dept of DD and will need to be placed ~4 feet back from where current rail is.
    - Save $9500 if we remove and dispose of sand ourselves
      * Need volunteers to remove sand
        + Sojourners
        + Vinton Industries
        + Sports teams
        + Village residents
        + Also need a dumpster
    - Submitted “Wyman Park Proposal Plan Letter” to General Mills Giving Committee in an attempt to secure donations for rubber surfacing at park.
      * Other potential donors include:
        + Austin Powder
        + Rolling Hills Generating
        + Solar Energy Company (getting formal name)
        + VCNB
        + Grants
        + County Residents
      * All donation will be made to the Wyman Park Board/Village of McArthur for the surfacing
* Q & A, Suggestions, Concerns, etc…
* Next subcommittee meetings early April
  + Active Living
  + Healthy Eating