

Meeting Minutes

Douglas County ROSC Council Transitional Housing Subcommittee

Date: January 7, 2025 **Time:** 10:00 AM

Location: In-Person at PJ's Place Tuscola, IL

Attendees In Person:

- **Linda Scribner** – Founder, Be BRAVE, Owner of PJ's Place, **Lyndsey Reedy** – Douglas County ROSC Council Coordinator, **Rob Wentz**-Community Member/PLE, Brad Ingram-Community Member, **Jason Pantier**-Douglas County Probation, **Kandis Mills** -Douglas County ROSC Council Recovery Navigator, **Andy Brandenburg**- Douglas County CORS Recovery Navigator, **Sheriff Chaplin**-Douglas County Sherriff, **Petra Oberg**- CHAWK Villa Grove

Updates since last meeting:

- Linda stated that she did not receive any grants that she has applied for so is looking for others.
- The contractor is working on renovations.
- The HVAC is very costly so looking at ways to get the funds to get this project done.

Open discussion:

There was discussion on some of the items on the intake and house rules forms. It would be a good idea for residents to be connected to counseling. There are some new forms and resident handbook that is needed. Lots of support will be offered to residents in person including recovery meetings at the house.

Ideas for fundraising- Old Orchard Bowling Alley offers space for benefits and splits the profits with the organization raising funds. Churches having a special offering at a worship/praise night.

Next Steps:

- Brad and Linda will help those who want to come to PJ's Place and do community service hours.
- Brad will help Linda with changes to the intake form, the creation of a referral form, application, ROI, handbook and changes to intake form.
- Rob and Brad looking more at how to become Smart Recovery facilitators. Kandis can help answer questions they have on this program.
- Lyndsey will help search for grant opportunities.
- Sheriff will follow up with Amanda at the Health Department about grant writing.
- Linda can present at local community groups and churches about her mission.
- Linda will continue to work on finalizing an agreement/contract with probation.
- Rob can start holding monthly ROSC STYLE meetings at PJ'S Place. Andy said that Misty can transport people to STYLE meeting.
- Petra is talking with her son about praise night at Christian Church in Tuscola that Linda can speak at and includes an offering. She will also talk to CU Church about PJ's Place.

Next Meeting Details-- February 4th at 10:00 AM

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