



Homeless Response Committee Meeting Notes from November 7, 2023

Attendance:

Debi Pieraccini, Liz Ellis, Stephen Armes, Commissioner Kevin Pine, Ruth Clemens, Ryan Knodel, Steve Timmons and Lisa Scott. Committee member Kati Kachman, Kacey Morrison and David Lawrence was unable to attend.

Welcome and introduction by Committee Chair Pieraccini.

Old Business:

- There was no old business.

New Business:

- City Administrator Ruth Clemens discussed what the next steps should be in our continued discussion with the County regarding a long-term shelter.
- General discussion regarding conversations that the City has had with Catholic Community Services and Department of Commerce regarding funding and operations for a shelter.
- The City will be doing another cleanup of the riverfront camp on November 15th.
- The City is moving forward on leasing some Portland Loo's for the downtown area.

County Report:

To date no one has applied to operate a cold weather shelter this year. The County is exploring providing additional motel vouchers to pick up the gap.

Next meeting will be on November 28th at 5:00 pm.

