DUMMERSTON SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 17, 2026 **APPROVED MINUTES**

The meeting began at 1:00pm at Sandy Campbell's house and adjourned at 2:45

Members present: Sandy Campbell, Cami Elliott, Libby Lafland, Teri Robinson, Amy Wall, Katherine Gooch-Breault & Michael Gooch-Breault. Absent: Nancy Pelz-Walsh.

Committee members introduced themselves. We also discussed nominations for Chairperson, as Sandy Campbell requested to be relieved of the position; Amy Wall will consider taking on the role, Sandy will remain on the committee. Nancy Pelz-Walsh is undecided about continuing on the SSAC, Sandy will reach out to her. Prospective new members Katherine and Michael will complete the application process at the next Selectboard meeting. Libby Lafland is acting Secretary in Nancy's absence.

We then presented an outline of the applications we were assigned. The committee discussed each request considering the amount of money requested, the numbers of Dummerston residents served and what the agency does to help the community of Dummerston and beyond.

It was noted that most all agencies expressed concerns for a decrease in funding, higher need of services and higher cost to provide the services.

The seven agencies with asterisks are the only changes, all others were level funded.

	Recommended
Bratt SR Meals	900.00
Center for Solace	400.00
*Dummerston Cares	1,000.00
Gathering Place	500.00
Grace Cottage	659.00
*Groundworks	4,000.00
HCRS	850.00
*Interaction	750.00
*Putney Food Shelf	5,500.00
*Senior Solutions	900.00
SEVCA	1,900.00
*SE VT Transit, Inc	400.00
VCIL	100.00
*Winston Prouty	650.00
Women's Freedom	1,000.00
Total	19,509.00

Minutes respectfully submitted

Libby Lafland, Secretary