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Town Board Member Report
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Tompkins Co. Youth Services Advisory Board, March 31

- The website designer went through the website he is building for the County Youth Services Dept. There will be a webpage for runaway and homeless youth to link to agencies that can help. They are also making town-specific data pages for towns to keep track of number of youth served by various parts of the department.

- The department director toured a Binghamton example of housing for homeless and runaway youth to look into the same agency opening a similar option here.

- The director also described the Municipal Youth Services System (MYSS), Rural Youth Services (RYS) and Rec Partnership and how they serve the towns, villages and city in Tompkins Co.

Lansing Housing Authority, March 24

- A representative from Insero presented the audit of LHA for the year.

- The board accepted a contract to finish fixing the roof at Woodsedge, and will get quotes for replacing windows and siding.

- The Woodsedge residents elected a new president and VP of the resident's association. They cleaned up the community room and have started having dinners in the room, and got a new piano for it.

- To address the issue of smokers, the management started pop-up visits to check for smoking.

Conservation Advisory Council, March 5

- The CAC discussed the option of becoming a Conservation Advisory Board, where they would be consulted if a property before the planning board is on the Open Space Index or Unique Natural Area map. The chair said he would talk with the board from the Town of Ithaca to get more information.

- The Environmental Management Council (EMC) is giving each town a flash drive with the maps of unique natural areas, so that it will be easier to refer to. EMC also has scheduled an open house for 4-6 pm, May 8th at Stewart Park.

- The CAC nominated members to get data for our climate smart communities program and to get information on easements for those landowners interested in applying for them.