



Affordable Housing Committee

Town Of Hinesburg

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Meeting Minutes September 4, 2013

Committee Members Present: Rocky Martin, Carl Bohlen, Julie Pierson, George Bedard, Bruce Wheeler, Andrea Brainard, John Bethune, and Dale Wernhoff.

Also Present: Tom Ayer, Hinesburg Select Board

The meeting came to order at approximately 7:05 PM

Hinesburg Center Phase II Project

Tom Ayer came to explain his opposition to the affordable housing portion of the project (see HAHC 8/07/13 minutes). Tom's main opposition is that based on the figures presented to the Select Board, it appears to him that the units from this project would be paying about one third of the property taxes that similar units in town are assessed. He does not want a potential reduction in tax revenue from these units to be a burden on other taxpayers. We need to verify/clarify the figures Tom presented and then get back to him.

Manufactured Housing Innovation Project

We discussed the mortgage ability of the units and apprised all of the committee members on the project's current status. HFI, the owners of the Mountain View Mobile Home Park, will have an informational meeting about the project on 9/18/13 at 6:30 PM at the town hall.

Article for The Hinesburg Record

With all of the commentary at the recent Development Review Board and Select Board meetings regarding affordable housing we thought it might be a good time to write an article for the local paper explaining how affordable housing works. Andrea has volunteered to write the article which we will review at our next meeting.

Haystack Crossing

Black Rock Construction, a local development and construction company, has an option to purchase the Haystack Crossing property. They hope to have a master plan for the site by the end of September. We'll invite them to our next meeting to see if any affordable housing has been incorporated into their plan.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 PM

Next Meeting

October 2th – Meet with Black Rock Construction to get an overview of their master plan (if available) and review Andrea's article prior to publication.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Wernhoff