



## **Affordable Housing Committee**

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### **Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2016**

- Approved 5/04/16 -

**Committee Members Present:** Rocky Martin, Carl Bohlen, Julie Pierson, and Dale Wernhoff

**Also Present:** Kathryn Braden

The meeting came to order at approximately 7:05 PM.

#### **Written Materials for Future Community Outreach**

Andrea provided a third draft of a pamphlet she has been working on which describes the HAHC purpose and goals. There is some minor tweaking that we want to do to the wording. We'd also like to revise the salaries shown from average to starting, and change the down payment percentage. Both of these changes would more accurately reflect the circumstances of first time home buyers or renters. We hope to finish up the content of the pamphlet at our next meeting.

#### **Accessory Apartment Discussion**

Last month we spoke with Annie Geratowski, the Development Review Coordinator for the town of Hinesburg, regarding accessory apartments (a separate, secondary dwelling unit on a single-family property). Shaun Gilpin, a Housing Policy Specialist with the Vermont Department of Housing and Community Development, will attend our next meeting to continue the discussion. Sean has an interest in accessory apartments and has met with us before on other topics.

#### **Housing Needs Assessment Status Update**

We'd like to update our housing needs assessment from 2010 and need a source of funding. We checked with the Hinesburg Land Trust but they are not interested. Our only other option is to get the funding from the town, either through a budget request or from the CDBG funding for Vermont Smoke and Cure.

## **Update on Leads on New HAHC Members**

Kathryn Braden is contemplating joining the committee. She'll let us know sometime after the next two weeks.

## **Status of Other Pending Housing Projects/Comments on Hinesburg Center Phase 2**

The DRB presentation for the Hinesburg Center Phase 2 project has been continued to the 5/3/16 DRB meeting. This project, along with the Haystack Crossing project, may be going to litigation with the town due to wastewater allotment and sketch plan denial, respectively.

## **VerMod Homes**

Efficiency Vermont contacted Rocky. They have two clients in the Mountain View Mobile Home Park who are trying to get into a VerMod High Performance Modular Home. These are the homes we learned about during our efficiency project in this park. Efficiency Vermont has asked us to provide any assistance we can to their clients to make this transition possible.

## **Minutes**

We reviewed the 3/2/16 minutes. Carl motioned they be approved and Julie seconded. They were approved by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:25 PM.

## **Next Meeting**

May 4<sup>th</sup> – Shaun Gilpin will discuss accessory apartments; other topics to be determined

Respectfully submitted,  
Dale Wernhoff