



Affordable Housing Committee

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Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2016

- Approved 2/01/17 -

Committee Members Present: Rocky Martin, Carl Bohlen, Julie Pierson, Andrea Brainard, George Bedard, and Dale Wernhoff

Also Present: Alex Weinhausen

The meeting came to order at approximately 7:05 p.m.

Review Town Plan Housing Language in Chapter 2

Alex Weinhausen, Director of Planning and Zoning for Hinesburg, was in attendance so we could discuss proposed revisions to the town plan language regarding affordable housing.

Plan to Seek \$4000 in FY 18 Town Budget

The committee is seeking funds to update our 2010 Housing Needs Assessment. That assessment will soon be seven years old and is based on 2000 census data.

VHFA Housing Conference Report

Carl gave a report on the 2016 Vermont Statewide Housing Conference hosted by the Vermont Housing Finance Agency in November.

UVM Medical Center Survey

Andrea is reviewing a housing survey sent out by the UVM Medical Center and will provide a report at a future meeting.

Building Homes Together Initiative

This is a coalition formed by the Champlain Housing Trust, Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission, and Housing Vermont to campaign for 3500 new homes, affordable or otherwise, to be built in Chittenden County in the next five years. We're reviewing the initiative and may sign on in the near future.

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

Per Alex, the last building in the Hinesburg Center Phase 1 (the building directly behind Kinney Drugs) has been issued a temporary certificate of occupancy. As for Phase 2, the developer is restarting the sketch plan phase due to the latest water and wastewater allocation issues. The Black Rock and NRG projects are both on hold pending additional water. Alan and Nancy Norris' project will be proceeding in the spring.

Leads on HAHC Committee Members

We are two members short of a full nine-member committee. Alex suggested we reduce our committee size from nine to seven or possibly even five since our focus is so definitive.

Possible Guest Speakers

Carl had a few ideas for future guest speakers. He'll pursue these for a future meeting.

Written Materials for Community Outreach

A pamphlet we quickly made for the Hinesburg Fall Festival has been deemed confusing in its presentation. Committee member Amelia Norris has agreed to revise the pamphlet into a more user-friendly form.

Minutes

We reviewed the 11/02/16 minutes. Julie motioned they be approved and Rocky seconded. They were approved by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 p.m.

Next Meeting – January 4th - Topics to be determined

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Wernhoff