

## Ashburnham Affordable Housing Committee

### Minutes for April 27, 2009 Meeting

**Attendance:** Tom Flanagan, Pat Dennehy, Donna Brooks, Richard Egan, Lisa M. Chaves,

**Absense:** John MacMillan

**Call to Order** – 5:05p.m.

Reviewed Housing Production Plan letter from Christopher Gagnon, Chairman, dated Dec. 31, 2008. Committee agreed no action is needed at this time. Committee will need to set new guidelines and report what the group has achieved in the past year by expiration date of Jan. 30, 2012.

Committee discussed recruitment of new Affordable Housing Committee members and the Housing Trust Committee. Tom Flanagan will contact Eric Smith to find out how we apply for 40B permits for the 32 proposed units from Duimek project, and the Habitat for Humanity buildings in town, along with the 8 homes on Page Ave (MOC Funding). Once we have applied for these and we obtain the permits needed we will concentrate on increasing housing stock.

Lisa Chaves has agreed to create a notice to post on the local channel 8 cable station. Notice will ask for members to join the Housing Trust Committee, along with a notice to ask for additional members for the Affordable Housing Committee.

Tom Flanagan will contact Sylvia, regarding updated the towns website to include the AAHC meeting agenda, minutes and posting of the Housing Trust Fund document on the web site.

Tom Flanagan will also contact responsible party to have an announcement made at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Town meeting asking for members for both committees.

Committee all agreed that the trustees need to be in place for the Housing Trust Committee before any talk of funding sources can be discussed.

Tom Flanagan asked that all members read the Affordable Housing Plan by next meeting and come to meeting with a list of things we think are important to us to concentrate on.

There was no annual report at the meeting to discuss.

Lisa Chaves presented flyers from her property and discussed the Supportive Housing services at her property.

Next Affordable Housing Meeting will be on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.