

LONDONDERRY, NH - Housing Task Force

Minutes of the meeting on March 26, 2008 in the School District Meeting Room

7:00 PM: Members Present:

Deb Lievens; Earle Rosse; Jon Weigler, At Large; John Verani, At Large; Al Baldasaro, At Large; Marty Bove, Ex-Officio

Staff Present: André Garron, John Vogl, Cathy Dirsa

A.Baldasaro acted as Chairman in J.Michels absence and called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Deb made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on January 30, 2008. Marty seconded the motion. Vote on the motion 6-0. Minutes are approved.

Deb made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on February 27, 2008. Marty seconded the motion. Vote on the motion 6-0. Minutes are approved.

Draft final report- Recommendations

J.Vogl summarized the revisions. D.Lievens expressed her concerns about conservation subdivision use and said that we should encourage smart use of the land. M.Bove mentioned that one of the recommendations needs to be corrected to have the Town council seek progress reports from the Town Manager. E.Rosse suggested a revision in the report that states what percent should actually be affordable housing (page 4). He also said that on page 9, 1st paragraph, is the first place we mention workforce housing and he suggested that we be consistent to use either “workforce housing” or “affordable housing”. A.Garron felt it’s important to use both interchangeably. E.Rosse suggested that we include a cost range and brief description with the pictures being used as examples in the report. J.Vogl spoke about the comments made by an email from J.Michels, in his absence.

Other Business:

M.Bove suggested that we look at the attendance of the Housing Task Force members and decide whether or not to eliminate the inactive members. He said that this would ensure that the members who did show up on a regular basis received credit for their participation and that residents would understand who played a part in the decision making process. M.Bove recommended that we ask the Town Council if they want to revise their chosen members of this Housing Task Force. The task force members unanimously agreed that they want M.Bove to approach the Town Council on this issue.

J. Vogl said that he would finalize the report by adding in all the comments received from the membership at this meeting. He asked that members adopt this version as amended and that it be considered final. M.Bove made a motion to accept this report as amended and present it to the Town Council. J.Verani seconded the motion. Vote 6-0

A.Garron mentioned to everyone that the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission will be airing the new documentary film by Demographer Peter Francese, “Communities and Consequences: New Hampshire’s Changing Human Ecology” at a special Planners’ Roundtable. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, 2008 at PSNH

1 Energy Park in Manchester. Mr. Francese will be introducing the film and will facilitate a
2 roundtable discussion afterward. In addition to planners, Select Board Representatives,
3 Conservation Commissioners, Economic Development staff, etc. are invited to attend.
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5 M.Bove said he hopes to go before the Town Council by May or June to get the All Boards
6 meeting scheduled and carried out.
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8  **Adjournment:**
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10 M.Bove made a motion to adjourn the meeting. D.Lievens seconded the motion.
11 Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.
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14 These minutes prepared by Cathy Dirsa, Planning Department Secretary.
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18 ***Because this was the last meeting, a draft version of these minutes was sent to***
19 ***all members via email for their input. The final version of these minutes was sent***
20 ***to all members and they approved via email.***
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