

Minutes
North Stonington Affordable Housing Committee
September 25, 2014
Location: Wheeler High School Media Center

- 1) Attendance: Members Present: Mary Ann Ricker, Tim Pelland, Tina DuBosque,
Paul Bliven, Kristen Comstock
Guest: Juliet Hodge

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 by Tim Pelland, Co-Chairman

- 2) By motion, second and unanimous vote Minutes of 8/28 were accepted as corrected.

3) Public Comment: Juliet Hodge is encouraging all Southeastern CT towns to utilize the resources and capability of SECTOR for regional planning. She will disseminate useful information on Facebook and Twitter as well as the SECTOR website to member towns. This committee can check regularly for information on Affordable Housing.

4) HUD Housing Rehabilitation Grant: On Sept. 16th Lisa Low and Project Manager Lou Severino held an informative meeting about this grant at the Senior Center. They gave a presentation and answered questions about the application process, the screening process, the inspection process (lead inspection is the starting point for each qualified property), the prioritization of health and safety issues, and their effort to allocate funds over numerous projects.

Applications will be received at the new Town Hall, 10/1/14, starting at 8:00 AM on a “first come, first serve” basis, and will be screened for eligibility at that time. Juliet Hodge is the contact person with Lisa Low on this program until Juliet’s replacement is hired, or 1/1/15, whichever comes first. Juliet reminded the Committee that it must reapply for another \$400,000 from HUD in 2015. Reminders and renewal are not automatic. “Fresh money” will be needed as it will take time for money from this year’s grants to be paid and flow back into the Town’s revolving fund.

5) 101aAnthony Road: Mary Ann will contact Julie Savin for the latest Neighborworks offer. Committee members emphasized that the property has become an “attractive nuisance” and safety hazard.

6) Winchetaug Hill: First Selectman Mullane has signed the Milone & MacBroom proposal to do site work (Natural resource inventory, mapping, septic testing, stormwater management analysis and draft IHZ regulations) for the more developable upland area of the property. Juliet will review the result. This Committee will study the report.

7) Meadowcourt: no change.

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8 & 9) Mobile Display: Mary Ann Ricker will work with Marc Tate on an automatic loop feature in time for the ICONS “Community Conversations” fair 10/18/14. We will have a table, members present, information available, and a sign-up sheet for people interested in the subject of Affordable Housing.

Other potential locations for the display are Wheeler Library, Goodies Restaurant, some of the churches and the 2015 Grange Fair. Appropriate contacts will be made.

10) New Business: Juliet is working on having a Deed Restriction Template available for town use.

11) New Committee members: no new suggestions

12) Goals: Update after HUD grant application results. .

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: OCTOBER 23, 2014:

6:00 PM

Location: Wheeler High School Media Center

Agenda and New Business completed, a motion was made and approved to adjourn. Mr. Pelland adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen Comstock
Recording Secretary