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Orleans Affordable Housing Committee  
July 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Susan Meyers, Jon Holt, Jane Hinckley, Barbara Quinn, Freddie Fitzgerald, Sue Sasso  
Absent: Judy Hunt, George Meservey  
Also present –Rick Siegle (for John Hodgson)

- Minutes of June 6, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved
- Hinckley Project update:
  - Deadline for applications is July 16, 2012
  - 6 applications received to date; hoping for up to 7 more for total of 13.
  - State needs to set date for lottery – most likely a Tuesday in late July or August
  - Once candidates are selected, ground breaking will happen
  - Need to coordinate the groundbreaking ceremony so members of the Hinckley Family as well as FOAH, CPC, Town Selectmen, Affordable Housing Committee and others can be present
  - We need to inform Cape Cod Times and Cape Codder of this “news worthy” event.
  - Sue Meyers will also contact George Meservey (on vacation this week) regarding any outstanding issues
- Namskaket/Habitat Project update
  - July 3<sup>rd</sup> property walk around with State Rep and representatives of Habitat went very well.
  - A number of our Affordable Housing Committee members were able to attend as well as someone from CPC
  - Antique house structure – we were told that someone is working hard at finding a solution to keep this structure. No more information available.
- Old Business –
  - Jane Hinckley & Judy Hunt renewed their membership on the committee for new 3-year terms.
  - John Hodgson has been appointed our committee's Selectmen Liaison (replacing Margie Fulcher)
- New Business –
  - Tonset Woods:
    - Barbara Quinn raised concerns about conditions of buildings and grounds; as this is Affordable Rental units owned and maintained by The State of MA, we do not have any jurisdiction over them. Concerns surround perception of Affordable Housing maintenance and could this impair our ability to increase our Affordable Housing units over time.
    - Jon Holt is a member of the Housing Authority Committee and reported that a \$1million septic system is being installed, 80 new toilets have also been installed and there is some other money being made available to repair structures.
    - The Committee is still concerned that these units could fall into disrepair if funds are not secured to repair internal and external structures.
    - MOTION: made and passed (6-0) to “Investigate the conditions of Tonset Woods and determine if there is anything we can do to help get state funds to improve the complex.”
    - Jon Holt will invite Tim Buehler, Housing Authority manager, to an Affordable Housing Committee meeting to discuss the issues.
    - Sue Sasso will investigate how some towns have received State funds to convert un-used schools into Affordable Housing units - Cape Cod Times July 9<sup>th</sup> article follow-up.
    - Sue Meyers will discuss our concerns with George Meservey
    - This will be an item on our August 1, 2012 meeting agenda
- Next Meeting – WEDNESDAY AUGUST 1, 2012 1:00 in Skaket Room – Town Hall

Submitted by Susan Sasso, for Judy Hunt.

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