

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2010

Present were committee members: Tiffney Emery, Jim Kelley, and Tom Hyland. Also present: Jane Dauphinais, Carol Umphlett, Beth Stewart, and First Selectman Ed Haberek.

Meeting called to order at 4:04 pm.

Motion was made by Jim Kelley to approve the July 2010 minutes. Seconded by Tom Hyland; motion carried.

Tom Hyland complimented Jim Kelley on the article he wrote in The Day. The committee discussed the articles related to the land-swap issue. Jim Kelley stated that the development company will be at the Selectmen's meeting on 8/11/10 @ 7pm at Mystic Middle School to discuss their proposal for a new senior housing facility. The group discussed what they can (and cannot) do to get the word out about the referendum.

The committee decided to do flyers; Jane Dauphinais will produce the flyer and will email to committee members for their approval. Jane also suggested a cable TV show on the issue that could be taped and aired a number of times before the referendum. The group also discussed the possibility of have a public information session at Stonington Arms (perhaps a summer sundae social). Ed Haberek said that he will speak to Steve Protulis to see if he is interested in participating in any of these events.

Ed Haberek also submitted correspondence that was passed on to him from the owner of the Putnam property in reference to the appropriateness of "locating senior housing adjacent to schools" (from DiMella Shaffer, dated August 2, 2010). He stated that if the land swap is allowed, Putnam would absolve the easement through the school property. He also said that it would actually be cheaper for Putnam to enter from Hewitt Road, even with the blasting than from Mistuxet Avenue.

Tom Hyland made a motion to nominate Tiffney Emery as secretary of the committee, Jim Kelley seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Kelley
Vice Chair/acting Secretary