Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes October 4, 2011

Present were committee members: Jim Kelley and Tom Hyland. Absent: Tiffinay Emery. Also present: Christine Devine, Betty Henry, Carol Umphlett, and five Stonington high school students.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Hyland.

Motion made to approve May minutes by Jim Kelley; seconded by Tom Hyland; passed unanimously. Motion made to approve July minutes by Jim Kelley; seconded by Tom Hyland; passed unanimously.

It was mentioned that Tiffinay Emery had sent an email today mentioning that she was going to resign from the committee. Both Jim Kelley and Tom Hyland said that they will call her and discuss this with the hopes of convincing her to stay.

Betty Henry was asked if her paperwork had been submitted for committee membership yet; she said it has been but has not been voted on by the Board of Selectmen.

The committee discussed Brookside Village Apartments, a subsidized housing facility in Pawcatuck that is on the market, and whether the sale of the property might have some ramifications as to its status as a HUD property. Christine Devine (LISC) said that she would research this; she said that if the mortgage has been paid in full, it could have some bearing on how new owners could proceed.

The committee discussed Tom Hyland's article in The Day dated August 31, 2011 in support of Tom Buxton's affordable housing proposal for 100-102 South Broad Street. Correspondence from Julie Savin of Neighborhood Works New Horizons, who is partnering with Mr. Buxton on this project, was included in this discussion. Tom Hylland suggested that committee members attend the public comment session of the Planning and Zoning Commission when it is scheduled.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Kelley, seconded by Tom Hyland, passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Kelley Acting Secretary