

Minutes August 8, 2011 Wayland Housing Partnership

Present: Kathy Boundy, Rachel Bratt, Dan Brown, Marty Nichols, Betty Salzberg, Maddie Sifantus.

The minutes of June 13, 2011 were approved unanimously.

Mary Antes was unanimously nominated to be the next chair. She was not present so she must indicate at the next meeting whether she is willing.

Rachel Bratt reported on the Dudley Area Advisory Committee. She handed out copies of the document she gave the DAAC when she made a presentation on June 21, 2011. Mary Antes and Betty Salzberg attended that presentation. It was about affordable housing in Wayland and in Massachusetts. Rachel also handed out copies of a memorandum about Wayland's Affordable Housing Inventory, which included a comparison with the inventory in neighboring towns. This memorandum is dated August 2, 2011, and had also been sent to the DAAC.

Maddie continues to take the Habitat House as her particular concern. She hopes that meetings in the fall with the religious congregations in Wayland will be productive. The next Habitat meeting is Wednesday, August 17.

Maddie will also ask clergy to recommend people to join WHP and/or to join the committees to be overseeing the Habitat house.

Bedford, Concord, Lexington, Lincoln, Sudbury and Weston have collaborated on the costs of a regional office overseeing affordable housing services such as planning, permitting, monitoring, and maintaining existing affordable housing stock. Several members expressed disappointment that WHP was not consulted about Wayland's decision not to join with this group, as it was being formed.

Wayland Housing Partnership would like to work with Sarkis Sarkisian, town planner, and the planning board to see if Wayland can join this collaboration or one like it. Towards this end, we hope to invite Sarkis to a future WHP meeting.

The next meeting is to be Monday, Sept 12 at 7:45 pm.