

## **WAYLAND HOUSING PARTNERSHIP**

**Minutes – March 3, 2014**

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Attending at 6:00: Mary Antes, Rachel Bratt, Pat Harlan and Betty Salzberg.

1. Since we did not have a quorum at 6:00, our meeting was not called to order.
2. We participated in a conversation with members of the Wayland Housing Authority: Mary Antes, Chair, Jackie DuCharme, and Russ Ashton. The conversation was focused on the whether there should be changes to the town's existing accessory apartment by-law. The question under discussion was whether the by-law should be made easier for people to use. There was some discrepancy between the by-law that Sarki indicated was part of the by-law and what is published on line. In particular, the on-line material does not make any mention of the need for Town Meeting approval. Sarki also indicated that the by-law has never been used. Ellen Brideau, Director of Assessing, and Julia Junghanns, head of the Board of Health, were also present for part of the meeting. Ellen indicated that there were about 40 in-law/accessory apartments that she knew of in town. But, apparently, none had gone through the official process. Jackie indicated that if there were town funds, perhaps from CPA, to assist people to do the renovations necessary for a conversion that there might be more interest. We discussed the possibility of holding an information session to see whether there is interest in the town and what, if anything, might be an impediment. At the moment, it seems like there is probably not enough interest to warrant further action at this time.

At 7:30 or shortly thereafter we were joined by: Kathy Boundy, Chris DiBona, , Fred Moser, and Armine Roat

3. At about 7:35, with a quorum of members, the meeting of the Housing Partnership was called to order. We continued to be joined by members of the Wayland Housing Authority, noted above.
4. We discussed and voted on each of the 3 housing-related articles to be presented at the April Town Meeting.
5. Mary Antes moved that the Wayland Housing Partnership support the article that would establish an Municipal Affordable Housing Trust in Wayland, assuming that provision (d) was included as in the draft we had: "to purchase and develop more than two dwellings which must be approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board." Seconded by Pat Harlan. Vote: 8 in favor 0 opposed. (Marty Nichols was the only member not present at the meeting).

6. The identical motion was made by the Wayland Housing Authority; the vote was 3 in favor, 0 opposed; 2 members were not there.
7. Betty Salzberg moved to approve the article that would Amend Zoning By-law: River's Edge Housing Overlay Zoning District 6 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained (1 absent); WHA VOTE?
8. Mary Antes moved to oppose the article that would Transfer and Restrict Use of Certain Town-Owned Land in "Dudley Woods" for Recreational Uses. Seconded by Betty Salzberg. Vote: 8 in favor of the motion (opposing the article); 0 against the motion (in favor of the article) (1 absent).
9. Jackie DuCharme moved approval of the above article for the WHA, but not getting a second, Mary Antes moved the same motion as the Housing Partnership, seconded by Russ Ashton; 2 in favor; 1 opposed.
10. At 9:10 Betty moved to adjourn, seconded by Kathy.