

Falmouth Affordable Housing Committee (AHC)
Thursday, February 21, 2019
Approved Minutes

Attending: Ed Curley (Chair), Holly Wilson, Jessica O'Brien, Renie Bruun, Joe Lemay
Visitors: Karen Bissonette, Eliana Spitzer, Kerry Walton, Olivia White

The meeting was called to order at 4:10pm in the Old Water Department Room of Town Hall.

The minutes for the October 2018 and December 2018 AHC meetings were approved unanimously.

The Community Preservation Committee approved a Warrant for Town Meeting consideration, to allocate \$300,000 (plus \$25,000 for bonding) to implement infrastructure improvements to the Habitat for Humanity property in Waquoit. The CPC also voted to provide \$10,000 to support HAC's Housing Institute.

HAC is hosting a series of one-day seminars to present information about effective advocacy for affordable housing. The schedule is Yarmouth on March 2nd, Barnstable on March 14th, and Mashpee on March 18th.

The Northstar property (may be renamed Brick Kiln Place) is making some noise about proceeding with their 40(b) process. The two bedroom property at 338 Sam Turner Road has given its "intent to sell" notification. It is ready to be shown, and is expected to sell for \$180,300.

Six eligible pre-approved applicants entered the lottery for 74 Deer Pond Place. HAC performed the lottery on 02/06/19. Charo Zuck was pulled first and has signed the purchase and sale agreement.

The Nautilus (Dome) property will be on the Planning Board agenda for their meeting on March 18th. It will need to go before the Historical Commission thereafter. Ed would like one committee member to follow this progress.

Ed Curley show-and-telled the bound copy of the Housing Production Plan. Karen B. thought it would make great reading and wants to buy one.

A new project is moving forward at 213 North Falmouth Highway, currently called Wild Harbor. Expected to be 16 units, with 4 affordable.

Ed Curley led a discussion about an Annual Housing Summit. Ed C. and Karen B. will be the core of the sub-committee to move this forward. Ed will reach out to Sam Patterson and Pamela Harting-Barrat to coordinate with the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board. Jessica suggested approaching a mortgage bank to sponsor the event.

The subject of monitoring existing units needs input from Carla Feroni, so it was tabled until the March meeting.

The required conflict of interest training has a deadline in April. Members should go to www.mass.gov/ethics to proceed.

Holly W. reported that the UUFF congregation will have a multimedia presentation on February 27th. The topic will address Housing Issues for the Elderly.

The next AHC meeting will be on **Thursday, March 21st, 4:00-6:00pm**