



## **Affordable Housing Committee**

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### **Meeting Minutes – November 6, 2019** **Hinesburg Town Hall, 3rd Floor Conference Room – 7:00 PM** – Approved 12/04/19 –

**Committee Members Present:** Carl Bohlen, Andrea Brainard, Rocky Martin, and Dale Wernhoff.

The meeting came to order at approximately 7:05 PM.

#### **Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

We reviewed BlackRock Construction's preliminary application for the Haystack Crossing project. The application at this time is incomplete and won't go before the DRB until at least January so we have time to further review and provide comments. The biggest change relating to this latest version is that in phase I of the project there will now be (20) affordable housing units, plus an additional (10) in the proposed senior housing. The previous proposal had (10) in the senior housing but only (5) in the remainder of phase I.

#### **Town Plan Housing Action Items Discussion**

We discussed the wording of the committee's annual summary in the town report. The summary needs to be worded so it's a convenient reference for the planning department.

#### **Review Ideas from Alex for Committee Tasks**

We reviewed the following ideas provided by Alex Weinhagen, Director of Planning and Zoning for the town of Hinesburg, from his attendance at our October meeting:

- Investigate if the vacant lot owned by the Hinesburg United Church on Silver Street would be a potential location for some affordable housing, possibly in a partnership with Habitat for Humanity.
- Check if Kelley's Field Senior Housing has any plans for expansion.
- See if the Jim Donovan project on Mechanicsville Road can be completely affordable housing.
- Promote accessory dwelling units as a means of affordable housing.
- Check if there is any town owned land to use for an affordable housing project.
- Advocate to reduce water and waste water fees for affordable housing.



### **Tri-Fold Brochure Update**

We're going to remove this from our agenda for the time being.

### **New Leads on HAHC Committee Members**

Our committee is now down two members and may be down a third member by next summer. Please let us know if anybody is interested in joining.

### **Approve Minutes**

We reviewed the October 2, 2019 minutes. Rocky motioned they be approved and Carl seconded. They were approved by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM.

**Next Meeting** – December 4<sup>th</sup> or January 8<sup>th</sup> – Topics to be determined; see agenda on town website.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dale Wernhoff, HAHC Secretary