

Affordable Housing Committee

MINUTES OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING

November 9, 2020

Present: Judy Parks (Chairman), Carolyn Crossley (Vice Chairman), Andrew Wandell (Clerk), James Noone (Member).

At 7:00pm Judy Parks called the meeting to order. Ms. Jane Ford was recognized. Ms. Ford expressed an interest in joining the Affordable Housing Committee. Judy Parks explained the mission and goal of the Affordable Housing Committee. Ms. Ford indicated that she has had 30 years of experience in the community development field, and worked on the creation of the nonprofit, Quincy Neighbor Housing Services. Sabrina Chilcott, Assistant Town Manager advised that if the Committee wished, the Chair could send a letter of recommendation to the Board of Selectmen recommending Ms. Ford be appointed to the Affordable Housing Committee. It was also suggest that Ms. Ford be provided a copy of the Affordable Housing binder.

Next the board reviewed the minutes of the December 12, 2019. Andrew Wandell suggested a copy of the December minutes be forwarded to the Planning Board, and that both he and Judy attend the next meeting. Mr. Wandell made motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 meeting, second by Jim Noone, all in favor.

It was noted that the warrant for Town Meeting is set to open in January. Discussion was had regarding the articles to be presented at town meeting.

It was noted that there did not seem to be a lot of interest in in-law units.

The chair requested an update on the River Marsh project. Sabrina indicated the town lost the appeal on the Safe Harbor claim. The Zoning Board would need to meet and consider site plan approval.

Discussion was next had regarding the establishment of an Affordable Housing Trust. Draft bylaws are pending. Discussion was also had with regard to the route 53 corridor and zoning – business/residential, and also what can be considered for Residential A. Ms. Parks indicated that it would be helpful for the Committee to take a look at the zoning map now and consider if any other changes are warranted.

Judy indicated she would send proposed bi-laws to the committee for the next meeting. The next meeting was set for Thursday, December 10, 2020 7PM.

Motion was made to adjourn at 7:30 PM by Andrew Wandell, second by Carolyn Crossley. All in favor.