

Minutes of the Affordable Housing Committee
North Stonington, CT 06359
Wheeler High School Media Center
June 27, 2018

Called to order: 6:05pm.

Attendees: Margaret Leonard, Mary Ann Ricker, Betty Ann Russ Member absent: Ellen Schroeder

Guests: Amanda Kennedy, Pam Luketich, Norton Wheeler, Moss Leonard

Chair welcomed guests: Amanda Kennedy of SE CT Council of Governments, Pam Luketich of Liberty Bank, and Norton Wheeler of Mystic River Building Co. and representing SE CT Housing Alliance

Minutes from April and May meeting were approved..

Ms. Kennedy spoke on behalf of other guests to explain that they were there to promote affordable housing by answering any questions regarding the Housing Needs Assessment report issued in March of this year. In addition, they wanted to know how they could help the committee's efforts in providing affordable housing in our town. Suggested actions included their doing a presentation to P&Z Commission. SCCOG offered to prepare graphics for our use. They suggested our applying for funding from area banks to perform advocacy and community outreach. Also suggested our approaching Rotary Club.

Possible sites for affordable housing were discussed as well as accomplishments of the committee to date.

Members revised schedule of proposed educational meetings to July 21 (4-6) at Margaret Leonard's home; Aug 14 (to coincide with Primary Day) with possible lunch or pie and coffee; and Sept 12 at high school with presentation to current events class and evening presentation for parents who are desirous of their children being able to afford to live in town after high school or college graduation.

Members viewed video prepared by M. Leonard; members want E. Schroeder to review video for feedback.

Under Action Items: Committee agreed to revisit the issue of tax abatement with selectmen. at July 10 BOS meeting.

Margaret Leonard was elected as the new Chairman of the committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Ann Russ

