



**Town of North Stonington
North Stonington Affordable Housing Committee
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 27, 2023 at 5:30 pm
Education Center Media Center
298 Norwich Westerly Rd.**

MINUTES

Chairman Will Mason called the Regular Meeting of the NSAHC to order at 5:32 pm.

Members present: Will Mason, Denise Hawk, Brian Rathbun, and Patrick Colgan

Members absent: Margaret Leonard and Cheryl Haase

Guests:

Additions to Agenda: D.Hawk shared her resignation letter with the committee. Her resignation is effective April 30, 2023.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: February 27, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes were approved as written. The minutes of November 28, 2022 were accepted as written. A motion was made and seconded (B. Rathbun/P. Colgan) to accept the January 23, 2023 minutes with the following amendments to the Approval of Minutes section "Minutes from the **December 7, 2022** Special Meeting were approved as written."

Old Business

- a. Identify town owned land that might be viable for developing affordable housing
 - i. W. Mason marked town owned land on a map. The committee identified opportunities to build one small apartment complex and several single family homes. The committee discussed dedicating 50% of these development opportunities to affordable housing. B. Rathbun questioned if building affordable housing is something the town really needed and wanted.
- b. Discuss next steps regarding town owned land.
 - i. D. Hawk will draft a proposal to present to the Board of Selectmen that the committee will review at the next meeting.

New Business

- a. Discuss guidelines for recommendation to be presented to the Board of Selectmen.
 - i. D. Hawk will research guidelines.
 - ii. The committee discussed a possible recommendation of providing tax abatement for those who create accessory apartments. The committee also discussed exploring the possibility of requiring only the accessory apartment of a property to be deed restricted.

Adjourn

A motion was made and seconded (P. Colgan/B. Rathbun) to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 pm.
Motion Passed.

Next scheduled Regular Meeting is April 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.