North Stonington Affordable Housing Committee Regular Meeting Education Center Media Center 298 Norwich Westerly Road May 25, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Draft Minutes

Chairman Will Mason called the Regular Meeting of the NSAHC to order at 5:38 pm.

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

Members absent: Margaret Leonard

Guests: None

Officials/Staff Present: None

Additions to the Agenda: None

<u>Public Comments</u>: Some residents of the North Stonington Village community expressed concerns about the idea of building senior citizen affordable housing on land in that area. Concerns included:

- There might be burial ground under that lot
- There was a meeting 18 months ago agreeing that that land would never be built on because the entire village was placed in the National Register
- Creating impervious surfaces in that location could cause flooding in that area

The residents suggested other lands to consider such as land in the Kingswood & Meadow Wood area. A resident also suggested looking at Tiverton Heights Mixed-Use Housing Complex as a possible model for North Stonington.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the March 31, 2021, October 27, 2021, February 23, 2022, April 27, 2022 Regular Meetings were accepted as written. An amendment was made to the June 30, 2021 minutes under the Approval of Minutes section to now read "The Minutes of the April 14, 2021 Special meeting were accepted as written." A motion was made and seconded (B. Rathbun/D. Hawk) to approve the minutes of the 6/30/21 Regular Meeting as amended. Motion Passed (5:0) An amendment was made to the March 30, 2022 minutes under the New Business section (point A) to now read "B. Carlson suggested submitting the Wintechog Hill plan to the town again for a vote. The committee agreed with this idea and highlighted the need to present it with clarity, but B. Rathbun disagreed" A motion was made and seconded (B. Rathbun/D. Hawk) to approve the minutes of the 6/30/21 Regular Meeting as amended. Motion Passed (5:0)

New Business: None

Old Business:

- a. Event: The date of the event will be June 21 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will need the venue from 5 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. W. Mason will explore Education Center and the Wheeler library as possible locations. C. Haase will reach out to the Senior Center as a possible location. C. Haase will secure the pizza from the Red Onion Pizza restaurant. W. Mason will purchase drinks and a vegetable platter. D. Hawk will organize music and interactive activities.
- b. Village project and rendering: This was discussed during public comment.

Addition the the Agenda: None

Public Comment: It is important that the Affordable Housing development are mixed population units to ensure all residents including those with special needs can live in this housing.

<u>Adjourn:</u> A motion was made and seconded (P. Colgan/B. Rathbun) to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm. Motion Passed 5:0

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at the Education Center Media Center (298 Norwich Westerly Road, North Stonington, CT)

Submitted by Denise Hawk, Secretary