

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2015

Present were committee members: Jim Kelley and Tom Hyland. Also present: First Selectman Simmons and Selectman Spellman, and Erica Schwarz from LISC.

Meeting was called to order at 4:06pm by Chairman Kelley.

Motion made to approve April 2012 minutes by Tom Hyland; Jim Kelley seconded; motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Erica Schwarz introduced herself as our new representative from Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) she outlined the ways LISC could support/help us pursue Affordable Housing in town.

2016 Meeting Schedule, Chm Kelley proposed the meeting schedule proceed as before - First Tuesday at Human Services Community Room; seconded by Tom Hyland; passed unanimously.

Budget Chm Kelley recommended that the FY 2016-2017 budget request continue the same as last year (\$1,000) seconded by Tom Hyland; motion passed unanimously.

The White Board initiative was discussed with the conclusion that we will contact David Fink of Partnership for Strong Communities to organize the taping session early next year.

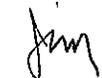
The update of our Affordable Housing Report will be presented at the Planning and Zoning meeting tonight; it may involve a joint meeting.

A recent presentation by Connecticut Housing Finance Administration (CHFA) included an offer to put on a workshop to connect buyers, bankers and real estate professionals with the programs and resources CHFA may bring to bear in order to help first time home buyers. Chm Kelley will contact CHFA and others who have done such programs to determine whether or not we should organize one here.

State surplus land has been advertised in Mystic (the armory). It has some potential as a mixed income or affordable housing site. First Selectman Simmons suggested that the site has some challenges and might also have other uses by the town. In any case, we will formally express our interest to the Board of Selectman as they consider how to proceed with this parcel.

Having no other business to discuss, motion to adjourn was made by Jim Kelley, seconded by Tom Hyland, and passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 4:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Kelley
Chair