

MEETING, HELD VIA ZOOM, MINUTES 20 JANUARY 2022 FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Attendees: David Bindelglass, Ray Martin (Chair), Glenn Chalder (Consultant), Darrell Harris (Secretary), Phil Doremus, Kevin Rodrigue, David Cliff, Jackie Kaufman, Jay Habansky, Christine Calvert

- A. Meeting called to order at 1:07 PM, via Zoom, by Ray Martin
- B. Discussion of Minutes from the last meeting. Minutes approved (David Cliff submitted, approved unanimously).
- C. Discussion of the meeting schedule, featuring Glenn
 - a. Go through process and schedule, with 18 weeks left until 1 Jun 2022.
 - i. Kickoff meeting on 6 Jan
 - ii. Discussion of Conceptual Strategies Booklet; committee gets this book a week before the 3 February meeting starts
 - iii. Public Information Session on 10 February
 - iv. There was a discussion regarding which town entities, aside from the Board of Selectmen, would be involved with looking at the draft document after it was completed.
 1. David Cliff wanted to make it very clear that there are no entities other than the BOS are involved with the document (Draft AH Plan; finished between 17-24 March).
 2. Per Ray Martin, P&Z makes a lot of decisions as a group, and AH is something that should get input from various commissions and departments before a seal of approval is given. Ultimately, it needs to go to the BOS
 3. Phil: BOS should receive our work product.
 4. Glenn: we need to make sure that any back-and-forth between BOS, P&Z, and the public in the period between 24 March and 14 April is direct, and that we keep to the schedule as closely as possible.
 - v. Discussion of 10 February Public Information Session
 1. 6 PM – 7:30 PM adjournment time
 - a. Keep times firm
 - b. Time limits for discussion: 3m per question introduction
 - c. Provide an outlet to pose questions via written submission.
 2. 5-10 days' notice for the public
 3. Information on the meeting is posted on the town website, as well as local newspapers and social media, so that people become aware and spread the news so we try to get as widespread coverage as possible.
 4. Location: either SSES or Helen Keller
 5. Per Kevin, the committee should make best efforts to address any community concerns right up front.
 - a. School enrollment
 - b. Crime
 - c. Property Values

- d. Jay suggested having a discussion of what kind of housing Easton residents lived in at various times in their lives
 - vi. David Bindelglass comments:
 - 1. Are there ways to use existing housing stock?
- D. Meeting adjourned at 1:56 PM

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Process / Schedule

This is a preliminary working schedule and may change depending on circumstances. For example, the Affordable Housing Committee may schedule additional meetings if needed or desired to stay on track for adoption by the State-mandated deadline of June 1.

| Week Of Thursday | 1:00 PM ZOOM | 5:00 PM MEET | Topics(s) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| January 6 | | | AHC - Kickoff Meeting |
| January 13 | | | |
| January 20 | | | AHC - Discuss process / schedule / public meeting for 2/10 |
| January 27 | | | Conceptual Strategies booklet prepared for review |
| February 3 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | AHC - Discuss Conceptual Strategies booklet |
| February 10 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | AHC - PUBLIC INPUT / SCOPING MEETING |
| February 17 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | AHC - Debrief from public meeting / further discuss Strategies booklet |
| February 24 | | | Planimetrics unavailable (ZOOM may be possible) |
| March 3 | | | Possible update to BOS |
| March 10 | | | Planimetrics prepare / deliver Draft AH Plan for review |
| March 17 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | AHC - Discuss / refine draft AH Plan |
| March 24 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | AHC - PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING (limited lead time) |
| April 7 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | AHC - Debrief from public meeting / finalize AH Plan / Submit to BOS |
| April 14 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | BOS Special – Receive AH Plan / make edits / schedule PH for 5/26 |
| April 21 | | | Proposed AH Plan to Town Clerk by 4/20 (35 days to 5/26 PH) |
| April 28 | | | |
| May 5 | | | Could discuss refinements / prepare sheet of potential edits for PH |
| May 12 | | | |
| May 19 | | | |
| May 26 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | PUBLIC HEARING / ADOPTION (BOS) |