

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes

**Monday, July 14, 2014, Tracy Hall**

**Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Manganiello, Fowler, Lubell, Shepherd

**Members Absent:** Goodrich, Moffatt, Cook, Hybels

**Clerk:** Phil Dechert   **Others:**

Kathleen Shepherd called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

1. **Agenda** – Approved
2. **Minutes** – June 9, 2014 minutes were approved as read
3. **Projects** –
  - a. Fire/Police Site – A letter from the Affordable Housing Subcommittee to the Selectboard and the Capital Facilities Planning & Budgeting Committee in support of making the Fire/Police site available for affordable housing has not been sent. The Planning Commission requested to review and sign onto the letter, but by the time they met, July 10, the Selectboard had decided on June 9 to discontinue consideration of the ABC Dairy site. This leaves Fire/Police as the only site under consideration for the new facilities. The Planning Commission suggested a generic letter supporting affordable housing initiatives in Norwich.
  - b. New Letter and “Fact Sheet” – A new letter will be drafted along with a “Fact Sheet” to inform residents what additional affordable, work force, senior, and other forms of diversified housing would mean for Norwich. In addition to the Selectboard and other town organizations, it could be available on the website and as a resource for future projects. Mary Fowler agreed to start working on the project.
  - c. Dresden Athletic Fields – The committee continued discussion on the concept of affordable housing on portions of the Dresden land on US Route 5 South not suitable for playing fields. Committee members will contact Dresden Board members determine interest in pursuing this concept.
4. **Next meeting:** 5 PM Monday, July 28, 2014 –Meeting Room, Tracy Hall

Adjournment 5:54 PM

Phil Dechert, Clerk

*APPROVED 8/4/14*

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