

NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes

**Monday, April 4, 2016, Tracy Hall**

**Regular Meeting**

**Members Present:** Moffatt, Manganiello, Lubell, Hybels, Shepherd, Goodrich, Fowler

**Members Absent:** Cook

**Clerk:** Dechert

**Others:** Tim Briglin, Mary Layton, Anne Duncan Cooley

Creigh Moffatt, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

1. **Agenda** – Approved
2. **Minutes** – 11-9-15 minutes were approved with one change.
3. **Updates** –
  - a. Dechert gave an update on the Planning Commission redrafting Site Plan Review and Planned Unit Development to the Zoning Regulations.
  - b. Hybels reported about proposed long-term plans for a very large development in Vershire, Tunbridge and Sharon.
  - c. Lubell spoke about \$145 million being put into HUD/AH funding. Lubell will look into it especially what the new program is and the new regulations.
  - d. Lubell also spoke about a presentation at a Democratic Committee meeting in January that he, Anne Duncan Cooley and Tim Briglin attended regarding work force housing needs.
4. **Employee Survey** –
  - a. Fowler needs technical help with creating an the online survey and creating a list of businesses to distribute the survey to their employees
  - b. Hybels will check with Tom Roberts (Vital Communities) and Peter Van Oot (GMEDC)
  - c. The survey may reinforce the demonstrated need for affordable housing in Norwich and measure the desire to be in Norwich at what price?
5. **Progress Review and Plans for Future Meetings**
  - a. Who else to invite to meetings - Dartmouth College officials, real estate professionals, attorneys, ..... ?
  - b. Reminder of the “Irene Cottages” in Wilder and the need for a site in Norwich for a similar project.
  - c. The potential for additional houses at Starlake in Norwich, and whether it is an appropriate location for more affordable housing.
  - d. Potential at the fire/police, library, senior housing area for additional senior/affordable housing, Lubell will investigate.
6. **Next meetings and Agendas**
  - a. **Next Meeting** – May 2, 2016
  - b. **Agenda Items**
    - i. Duncan Cooley – Impediments to Affordable House
    - ii. Hybels – Guest Speakers, existing AH surveys, list of Norwich businesses with employees.
    - iii. Lubell – Will research HUD/AH new program and regulations
7. **Comments from the Public- None**

Adjournment: 6:20 PM

Phil Dechert, Clerk

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