

WAYLAND HOUSING PARTNERSHIP
Minutes – November 19, 2019
Submitted by Rachel Bratt
Unanimously approved January 7, 2020

Attending: Mary Antes, Joanne Barnett, Rachel Bratt, Chris DiBona, David O’Leary, Daria Tucker, Robi Zallen

Meeting called to order at 7:35

1. Unanimously approved minutes, with from September 17, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve by Mary; seconded by Joanne.
2. Unanimously approved minutes, from October 23, 2019 meeting, with correction. Motion to approve by Mary; seconded by David.
3. Several items from the joint housing meeting require follow-up:
 - a) Concerning Launcher Way, we need to figure out a plan to connect with nonprofit organizations to discuss possible partnership strategies.
 - b) Need to get a response from MHP about possibility of carrying out a feasibility plan for the site;
 - c) Need to schedule a meeting with the Council on Aging to publicize accessory dwelling unit by-law and options. Mary will talk to Julie Secord about this.
4. Before discussing the joint housing meeting, Rachel provided a brief overview of the roles of the various groups in Town, that have housing-related missions. She also handed out a chart summarizing the Town’s progress toward meeting the 10% affordable housing goal; this was also briefly discussed at the joint housing meeting.
5. Discussed and voted on whether the Housing Partnership would support an application to the Community Preservation Committee for continued funding for a housing consultant to perform various housing services for the Town. Robi moved: “to support the application for a housing consultant to perform various housing services for the Town.” Joanne seconded. Unanimous approval.
6. Discussed and voted on whether the Housing Partnership would support an application to the Community Preservation Committee for funding for a community planning process/workshops to identify the most pressing housing needs and strategies for meeting them. David moved: “to support the application to the Community Preservation Committee for funding for a community planning process/workshops to identify the most pressing housing needs and strategies for meeting them.” Joanne seconded. Unanimous approval.
7. Mary reported that the Board of the Peace Lutheran Church likes the idea of having some housing built on their property; nothing specific yet.
8. David mentioned the possibility of using some of the land at St. Ann’s church site for affordable housing. He is working with the Archdiocese’s Office of Urban Affairs to assess site feasibility. He also noted that they are exploring the installation of solar panels at St. Ann’s. The Wayland Interfaith Clergy Association (WILA) is focusing on educating their respective congregations about climate change issues.
9. Next meetings: January 21 and February 25 @ 7:00 (NOTE: the January meeting was subsequently re-scheduled for January 7).
10. At 8:37 Chris motioned to adjourn, seconded by David.