

# Town of Londonderry, Vermont

## Londonderry Housing Commission Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – 6:00 - 7:30 PM  
100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155

Attendees: Patty Eisenhour Paul Abraham Nancy Jensen, Maryann Morris

1. Call Meeting to Order

6:15

2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda [1 VSA 312(d)(3)(A)]

add a standard section for a realtor housing report

3. Election of Committee Chair and Clerk

Paul A nominates Patty and Nancy J seconds, all are in favor. Patty Eisenhour is elected chair

Patty E nominates Maryann M, Nancy J seconds, all are in favor. Maryann is elected clerk for the commission.

4. Set regular meeting schedule and other norms

Meeting schedule is set for the second Thursday of each month at 6pm in the town office and on zoom.

It is noted that Term of offices were previously set by the selectboard

Patty will ask about the use of a Google shared drive

Maryann can make the shared drive view only and editable by members in a professional account so it is fully encrypted.

It was asked if our commission should be listed on the town website, Patty will check about what this looks like

5. Impact of the storm on housing

Questions about if there is public knowledge or a database about being displaced by the storm were addressed. Did Neighborhood Connections or Stratton Foundation collect that information? Did the town keep a list from a town perspective? It was noted that we only anecdotally who or how many were displaced, We do not need names, maybe just counts. Patty notes that our work is more long term and numbers for housing needs may have increased due to this storm. We discussed if the impact of the storm impacts our strategy.

6. Realtor Housing Report

Nancy sent Patty the market overview for Londonderry for the last half year. She also has some new analytic and statistics that she can pull from. The group discussed what makes things middle income/workforce housing and not to use affordable housing as a term.

7. Brainstorm about potential revenue streams to fund housing initiatives

The team reviewed advice from other communities regarding funding. It was noted that we should take in what other towns are doing and adapt it to be specific to Londonderry's needs. There was a discussion about how permit fees and meals and lodging are used in other communities. The group discussed incentivising existing housing and supporting rentals.

Maryann spoke about building a budget around the strategies so we know what we need to raise. The group spoke about the strategy of putting together some materials to showcase resources and mail them to homeowners. It was advised that members should review the current resource list and double check all listed resources. There was a discussion about drafting a communication plan and what steps are needed to move projects forward.

The group discussed grant potential and what we could ask for in grants.

#### 8. Review Woodstock Housing initiatives

The group discussed ADU Workforce Rental Program from Woodstock VT (our strategy 3A)

Nancy will check with the Agency of Natural Resources to see what resources exist for wastewater and potential to move a project like this along. She also believes there are low interest loans for improving property wastewater.

Discussion about how STRs can prove that there is appropriate wastewater capacity

#### 9. Adjourn - 7:43pm