

Town of Londonderry, Vermont

Londonderry Housing Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday Oct 12 – 6:00 - 7:30 PM

100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155

Committee members: Paul Abraham Melissa Brown, Nancy Jensen, Patty Eisenhour Mimi Lines, Maryann Morris
Community Member: Kelly Pajala

1. Call Meeting to Order - [Google Drive of Materials](#)
 - a. Called to order at 6:05
2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda [1 VSA 312(d)(3)(A)]
 - a. None
3. Priority Strategies
 - a. Tracking work between meetings
 - i. Use the google drive to put work on a document for reporting out on work between meetings. Maryann will make this document and share it with all and it will live in the public file.
 - b. Wastewater Meeting presentation
 - i. Discussion about who can be present at this meeting at FBS and give some support to the project. Patti will reach out to Sharon and Larry to get a better understanding of the ask.
 - c. Discuss [informational website](#) ideas
 - i. Reviewed website from Deerfield Valley, spoke about cost of setting up and maintaining a website
 - d. Discussion on Short Term Rental work from the selectboard
 - e. Mailing to residents - email and towns
 - i. Discussion on how to communicate with residents. Town email is only for relevant and timely emails (road/cemetery closures). Discussion on doing a post office mailing of an educational campaign with postcards It was determined that combined the list would be probably under 2000. Inkspot press can use their bulk mailing discount for the mailing.
 - f. ADUs
 - i. Nancy reports about ADUs and wastewater systems. It seems like these will always need an engineer to determine the appropriate wastewater capacity which could be a financial barrier. Discussion about ADU and STR implications
 - g. Discussion about language to use when referring to housing for our communities. Essential or attainable housing was suggested. **This discussion will be added to the next agenda.**
 - h. Discussion around rentals and home ownership and where our focus should be.
4. Financial Matters
 - a. Committee Budget development

- i. Discussion on what needs to be in the budget and steps needed to present a budget. Some items that will need to be in the budget are; postcard mailings, 3 a year (Maryann will get price points). Website building and sustaining (Paul will investigate price points). Patty will make a request to Tina to get on budget and ask about what we need to do. Discussion about opportunities for workshops and trainings and need for travel and expenses for these.
 - b. Discuss Lodging option tax
 - i. Discussion about how this works in other communities
 - c. Report out on VT legislation priorities in 2024
 - i. It was reported that there is a focus on motel use for homelessness, connecting resources with housing, a housing first mindset and continued support on housing for the “Missing Middle”.
- 5. New Business
- 6. Housekeeping - [In the news](#) and protocols
- 7. Adjourn
7:44

Respectfully Submitted: Maryann Morris