

Housing Committee Meeting Summary
Monday October 4, 2021
6pm

Members Present:

Pam Brangan, Chair

Julie Gaboriault

Amy Southworth, Secretary

Casey McNeil, Vice-Chair

Maria McClellan

Absent: Cara Thanassi and Joyce George (joined in final minutes, had meeting time wrong)

1. Call to Order & Confirm Audio/feed
2. Approval of Agenda - approved by Casey McNeil second by Julie Gaboriault
3. (hold on approval of Sept 7th meeting)
4. Open to Public/ no public
5. Pam explained that at the September 28th Selectboard meeting all committees had a chance to speak. There is a detailed economic report and audience asked questions. Pam mentioned that the town website has the Economic Development report. Much of the public comments at the selectboard meeting had to do with a proposed development on Route 7. As Housing Committee chair, Pam stated that we need affordable housing as well as economic development.
Chittenden County Regional Housing Convening : Pam stated that much of this meeting was centered around the Building Homes Together Campaign in Chittenden County and that the housing goals were met but not the affordable housing goals. During the town committee sharing portion of the meeting, Hinesburg mentioned they are developing a 5 min video on ADU's. Someone from Jericho Housing stated the like Shelburne's Housing web page. (Pam mentioned that the Champlain Housing Trust is purchasing the Days Inn)
Also that approximately 200 homeless people are housed in Shelburne currently. The next Regional Housing Convening meeting is January 31, 2022
6. Continue on ADU discussion.
Should we be addressing the folks that have asked for exception to the current zoning regulations. (no consensus)
Tiny homes discussed and there was a question about someone wanting to place a tiny home on land. Pam will research other town's bylaws for tiny home regulation examples.
7. Inclusionary Zoning discussed. We all felt that there should be language added for inclusionary zoning. It was mentioned that perhaps we could include incentives for builders to include affordable housing.
(It was mentioned that the state has grant money for zoning and planning and perhaps we could suggest using some of these funds for consultants to guide us).
8. Recent Housing Activity..... out of time.. Meeting adjourned 7:05

Next meeting November 1st 2021. Primary focus will be on developing suggested zoning changes