

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Washington Housing Commission
Minutes
August 1, 2022

1. Call to Order 5:00 PM

Members: Judie Gorra, Michelle Gorra, Henrietta Small, Robert Woodroffe (Woody)

2. Review of the Minutes of July 12, 2022 Woody made a motion, all in favor.

3. Chairperson's Report

Zoning Commission hearing Monday July 25- Letter written and Zoning Commission acting upon request. - Requesting they look at the accessory apartments part of it. They decided they are going to opt out of the accessory apartment parts. This gives the commission the option of changing them or adding to them, if they didn't opt out they wouldn't have this option.

- Going to have a sub committee chaired by Janet Hill, Judie Gorra volunteered to be on it, first meeting next week Wednesday the 10th 5:00

4. Old Business

- a. **Article for next Washington Newsletter** – Judie wrote an article for the newsletter, to summarize what Judie wrote: Residents of Washington voted to add 30 additional houses to this community, people who work in this community aren't able to afford to live in town
- b. **Consider acting upon the Washington Community Housing Trust proposal for site work on Baldwin Hill by T. Michael Alex for the sum of \$3,250.00** – Sent out the budget. If we vote on this and approve it, we'd have to send it to the board of selectmen so they can approve it. If over our spending threshold it would go to board of finance. Woody made a motion to approve Henrietta seconded the motion, all in favor.
- c. **Discussion re the presentation by Kate Johnson of Norfolk Living on the Haystack Woods Project.** September 13th; Eco-friendly project, building itself is very energy efficient, solar they have car ports, walkable, design looks beautiful. Michelle is Going to put together a flyer for the selectmen's letter. Gong to try and have it in the conference room and make it hybrid; open to the public, thinking about making the meeting at 7:00, will contact her regarding the time.
- d. **From old business last week-** Chris Charles mentioned this in the past; Speculating about 40 acres that could be used as affordable housing in Macricosta, Michelle

went through the minutes and can't find any mention of it in the past minutes, will contact Steep Rock to see if they have any more information about it.

5. New Business

- a. Participation in Zoning Commission's study of PA 21-29 especially as it relates to multi-family housing.** Woody and Judie will be going to the subcommittee meeting
- b. Any other new business;** no other new business at this time.

6. Visitors; none

7. Motion to Adjourn -Motion to adjourn by Woody seconded by Henrietta Small.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda K. Reale
Selectman's Assistant

Zoom Recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_R5Ogl6O-0