



MINUTES - AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE: May 29, 2009
LOCATION: Committee Room, Town Offices 26 Bridge St
PREPARED BY: Peter Tollefsen, Dir Special Projects

Present: Chair Glenn Stewart, Councilor Bob Gamble, Councilor John McGee, Elaine Beard, Carolyn Letourneau, Peter Tollefsen, Bill Chapman and Rita Mary Cote.

Regrets: Tillie MacDonald, Ellen Anderson, Steven Schofield.

1. Call to Order

Chair Glenn Stewart called the meeting to Order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Review and Adoption of Minutes of April 17, 2009

That the April 17, 2009, **Minutes** be adopted.

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Elaine Beard Carried

3. Business Arising

Joint housing funding application with Collingwood? Sounds good but both Counties would have to sign contribution agreements, some administration complications.

What about the Town having our own housing authority? Would need start up funding and a charter for a separate corporate authority.

Update given on the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan.

4. Housing Needs Study update

(Peter) Money has been put in the Town 2009 Budget to do a Housing Needs Study. This Study will evaluate the current housing situation, identify the housing needs and recommend a range of policies, programs and strategies that would help build a sustainable community with a broad range of housing stock. The Terms of Reference have been completed and the Request For Proposal is being circulated to consultants to bid on. Closing date June 25.

5. Size of the Committee

Presently 5 public-at-large, 3 members of Council. Could grow from 5 to 12. How about Rob Potter, someone from real estate (Des VonTeichman). How about a

developer, a banker, a lawyer. Suggested names; Gord Skultety or R . Matheway.

Motion: To expand the Affordable Housing Committee from 5 public-at-large to a maximum of 12. And; as they are recruited will provide the names to Council for confirmation.

Moved: Elaine Beard Seconded: John McGee. Carried.

6. New Business

What about BVO not-for-profit housing authority? Would be an arm of the Board. Who would manage the project once it is built ? County Housing.

New Medical Clinic, have housing units on the second floor? Steve Schofield to check into.

Should rewrite the Mandate of the Committee. Put some concrete plans into it. * Glenn Stewart to take a crack at it.

Re; New Committee members; * Everyone to submit suggested names to the Chair for the next meeting.

7. Next Meeting – revised to Thursday July 9, 2009 @ 4:30pm.

8. Adjournment

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Steven Schofield Carried