



**MINUTES - AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE**

MEETING DATE: Feb. 4, 2010  
LOCATION: Committee Room, Town Offices 26 Bridge St  
PREPARED BY: Peter Tollefsen, Dir Special Projects

Present: Chair Glenn Stewart, Councilors Bob Gamble and John McGee, Elaine Beard, Carolyn Letourneau, Peter Tollefsen, Rita Mary Cote, Rob Potter, Bill Chapman, Teresa Pearson .

Regrets: Ellen Anderson, Gord Skultety, Colin Travis.

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Glenn Stewart called the meeting to Order at 4:30 p.m.

**2. Review and Adoption of Minutes of Dec 3 and 22, 2009 meetings**

That the Dec 3 and 22, 2009, **Minutes** be adopted.

Moved by: John McGee. Seconded by: Elaine Beard. Carried

**3. Business Arising**

From the Dec 22 meeting. Enquiry; What happened to the house for sale behind the BVO? It was sold. Not to BVO. Rita Mary thanked the Committee for their interest and input.

**4. Delegation: Sean Brady**

Was introduced by Glenn, who invited Sean to the meeting. Sean a home builder from Toronto in residential development who has moved up to this area and has bought and runs a fish hatchery. Has some history with the medical building. Sean was invited to give us his thoughts. Sean- good affordable housing project at the foot of Jarvis in Toronto called Crombie Place. Should be intensifying our settlement areas like Europe. Don't marginalize income groups. (avoid ghettos). Thornbury's Bayview Park good potential for a site. Need cost effective housing, mixed use. Good views of the lake and mountain. (real estate dream). Can have a good architectural design, doesn't have to be expensive. Bill-Don't forget "supportable" housing (for those with disabilities). Glenn thanked Sean for attending.

## **5.Reports from subcommittees**

### **5.1 To investigate a Land Trust.**

Bill + Teresa – searched Ontario Land Trust. A 10 step plan . Need to have a board. Glenn asked the subcommittee to design a step by step set up of a land trust for TOTBM with a recommendation. Okay will do for the next meeting..

### **5.2 Look into a piece of land.**

Elaine + Carolyn – spoke to some real estate people; Bill Thompson and Rick Offord. They have offered to attend a meeting. How big an area is needed? What about the corner of Hillcrest/Marsh? North east corner of AppleJack? Alfred + Victoria ? Bayview Park site?

### **5.3 Prepare a Communication Plan**

Gord+Rob+Glenn- presented a Plan. Start with a teaser campaign. Glenn asked everyone to have a look at it and bring any comments to our next meeting. Can the Committee fundraise? Can the Town? Should investigate.

## **6.Recent meeting , Owen Sound Non-profit**

Rita Mary asked if this could be put onto the next meeting Agenda.

## **7.Motion to change the name of the Committee**

That the name of the Committee be changed from The Blue Mountains “Community Affordable Housing Committee” to the “Housing Committee”.

Moved: Rob Potter

Seconded: Elaine Beard.

Carried.

## **8.Housing Needs Study update**

Draft report being prepared by the consultants. Will release soon. Peter-Bill 198 Inclusionary Zoning, proposed legislation to expand affordable housing in Ontario. Reort going to Council Monday night (copy distributed). Mayors of area municipalities shoud appear before the Standing Committee to support.

## **9.Other Business**

FYI- NIMBY Workshop , Georgian Triangle Housing Resource Centre Thursday March 25, 2010 from 1:00pm – 4:30 Collingwood Town Hall.

## **10.Next Meeting – Thursday Feb.25, 2010 @ 4:30pm.**

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**11.Adjournment**

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: Carolyn Letourneau

Carried