



MEETING MINUTES
HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

Monday, July 19, 2021

3:30 P.M.

Members present: Sherry Lind, Shana Rosenberg, Nicola Rodrigues, Jason Bracken, Jock Pitts, Steve Schnabl, Bud Scharf

Staff present: Sam Perry

Guests: Jessica Greene

Sherry called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

Shana moved to approve the agenda. Jason seconded. No changes. All in favor.

Bud moved to approve the June minutes. Jason seconded. No changes. All in favor.

Sherry asked Sam for the Cottage Community update. Sam stated that Mindy Muller from Community Development Professionals (CDP) was moving forward with this project on Hester Road. An application is being submitted to the Federal Home Loan Bank for this project. Site control is required by the end of the month for the loan application. Sam stated that the City staff were working with CDP on possible city acquisition with a lease or a reimbursement back to the developer. The operator would be Center for Community Revitalization (CCR).

Creation of Oxford Housing CDC – Sherry asked Sam for an update. Sam stated that this was a follow-up from June. City staff are recommending funding a new entity, (or staffing) for 3 years. Jason stated there was support for outside city areas also. Bud expressed appreciation for collaborating with Butler Metro Housing in the initial set up, though it is in the very early stages at this point. Jessica spoke about the process of evaluating best options and talking with existing non-profits as potential entities.

Comprehensive Plan Process – Potential Focus Groups. Sherry asked if we still wanted to do focus groups in key neighborhoods such as Park View Arms, Mobile Home Park. The group expressed support and appreciated the opportunity to leverage other potential public input efforts (Comp Plan or Trail Route Planning).

Update on Goal #2: Cold Shelter / Transitional Housing – Nicola discussed the collaborative process of collecting the info and thanked the community for the assistance in helping those in need. Jason stated that he would like to see this continue.

Sherry asked for new member Mr. Jock Pitts to provide a brief introduction. Mr. Pitts is affiliated with People Working Cooperatively, which assists homeowners with accessibility improvements throughout the region.

Bud commented that 61 Emergency Housing Choice Vouchers would be available in the County, if any of the Oxford property managers were interested in participating in the program.

Steve Schnabl moved to adjourn. Shana seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.