

SALISBURY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 15, 2022 – 5:30PM (VIA ZOOM)

1. Call to Order. Present: Lee Sullivan (Acting Chair), Jim Dresser, Jon Higgins, Vivian Garfein, Mary Close Oppenheimer and Hannah Pouler (Communications Consultant). Abeth Slotnick joined later in the meeting. Absent: Jennifer Kronholm Clark, Katie White and Pat Hackett.
2. **Approval of Agenda. So Moved** by J. Dresser, seconded by J. Higgins and unanimously **Approved.**
3. **Approval of Minutes of November 17, 2022. So Moved** by J. Dresser, seconded by V. Garfein and unanimously **Approved.**
4. Coordinator's Report. There were no inquiries from the website. It was noted that the funding was approved by the BOS for the Salisbury Housing Committee (SHC) and Housing Trust (SHT) requests.
5. SAHC Communications Consultant Update – Hannah Pouler
The December newsletter went out. The Communications Plan and what to do will be situational. Templates are going on Mail Chimp, so details can be plugged in. She would like J. Kronholm Clark to comment on the plan and also would like to have another subcommittee meeting. L. Sullivan commented about the East Railroad Street “advisory committee” for support and community feedback; she mentioned that Sally Spillane wants the RFP to be public. Peter Halle, Salisbury Housing Committee, suggested referring to them as the “neighborhood advisory group.”
6. Discussion: 2022 Goals and Subcommittees:
 - Holley Place – no update
 - Pope Property – M. Close Oppenheimer sent a note to Curtis Rand, asking him to continue reaching out to neighbors.
 - Housing Trust Properties – Funds have been allocated for the East Main Street property and they are committed, but funds need to be raised.
 - Community Support for AH – covered under Item #5.
 - 414 Millerton Road – Nothing new
 - Fundraising/Alternative Funding Sources – J. Dresser indicated that both the SHC and SHT have this covered; he asked how the Town could do fundraising for AH – that will be discussed in 2023.

- Explore Additional Properties – Not at this time
- Sustainability – L. Sullivan commented that some exciting projects are coming up. A. Slotnick asked if the SHC and SHC properties could be upgraded; L. Sullivan answered yes, it's a good time to look at that. A. Slotnick suggested looking at available funding resources. M. Close Oppenheimer mentioned that a few properties in Norfolk got grants, details are needed; A. Slotnick suggested that David Berto might be involved. V. Garfein mentioned that she had visited some AH units in Kent and the results were great.

J. Dresser mentioned that East Railroad Street is moving ahead, architectural firms attended a recent meeting with A. Slotnick and David Berto fielding questions. Sally Spillane had comments from the neighborhood advisory group. A. Slotnick is expecting proposals to review.

7. Chairman's Comments – None

8. Public Comment – None

9. **Adjournment. So Moved** by V. Garfein, seconded by A. Slotnick and unanimously **Approved**.