

Minutes of Joint Affordable Housing Committee of February 8, 2018
7:30 PM in the Municipal Building

Attendance:

Lisa Carroll	Present
Mark Cassella	Present
Tom Donohoe	Present
Nick Frascone	Absent
Christina Griffin	Absent
James Keaney	Absent
Bob Licht	Absent
Ira Lichtiger	Present
Arthur Riolo	Present
Andrew Smith	Present
Elise Smith	Present
Sue Smith	Present
Patty Speranza	Present

Eva Alligood, Planning Board	Present
Rose Noonan, Housing Action Counsel	Present

Minutes were taken by Elise Smith

Arthur Riolo called the meeting to order, and asked if there were any corrections or for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Patty Speranza made a motion to accept the minutes, Ira Lichtiger seconded the motion. Motion passed.

190 Farragut

The building is framed, windows are in and the roof is on.

They will now be working on insulation, electrical and plumbing. Mark mentioned that there are inspections needed at each step of the work and this will add to the time involved.

Rose Noonan mentioned that there have been no new change orders. The change orders up to this point total \$19,000.

We have exhausted all county funds from the main County loan and are now using the construction loan.

There is still \$150,000 from the County for site loan work.

Taal submitted an invoice for \$56,000 to be paid from construction loan and will be submitting another soon. He should be done in June.

Mark mentioned that they need a retaining wall on the south side of the building and the old wall in the back of the house needs to be reinforced.

Rose mentioned that the rental unit will be \$900 plus utilities per month. It is two stories and may not be good for some seniors.

Rose handed out copies of the application and brochure for this property.

We discussed putting the application and brochure on our website and the village website. Rose is working on a one-page brochure for 4 units available at 10 West Main Street and the 1 unit at 190 Farragut.

Arthur will take care of adding the application and brochure to our website.

Patty will contact the village to add them to the village website.

Lisa will send out a mailing to our interest list.

As per above, Rose is marketing 4 affordable units at 10 West Main Street. The owner is Riverton Lofts West, John Waters.

Arthur asked Rose if she has received bank statements from Jim.

Rose hadn't received any. Ira will follow up with Jim.

Ira asked Rose for information on CHDO and she said she will check on it and get back to him.

Fund Raising

Patty looked into the radio stations and found that we cannot get radio space to request donations, but can have a public service announcement giving information on affordable housing.

She will speak to Raf about putting something on HOH TV showing the new construction on Farragut.

Patty checked out a service to receive on line donations, but the cost was \$100/month and a percentage of the contributions.

She suggested continuing with what we can handle ourselves for now. She will look into pay pal for our webpage.

Patty is also staying in contact with Lisa Reilley. Lisa is planning something for April.

Andrew handed out a sample of a first draft of a trifold information brochure.

We discussed what can be added, including pictures of our projects and residents. Arthur suggested adding the 4 units on West Main Street.

Lisa offered to update and print them with her program at work.

We discussed drafting a cover letter for the new brochure.

Miscellaneous

Arthur asked Eva if she had any information about Artis. She has nothing new.

Patty mentioned that the new waterfront committee was meeting to discuss possibilities for development. Affordable housing was not mentioned on the agenda.

She will check who is on the committee and speak to someone to be sure they look at it.

Our next meeting will be March 8 at 7:30 PM.

Ira Lichtiger moved to adjourn the meeting, Patty Speranza seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned.