

Housing Task Force Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 13, 2022, at 10 am Durham Council Chambers

Members Present:

Heather Grant, Chair

Tom Elliott

Richard England

Charlotte Hitchcock

Al Howland

Sally Tobias – Council Rep.

Michael Behrendt, Town Planner

Nick Taylor, Advisor to Committee (Executive Director of the Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater Seacoast)

By Zoom –

Members Absent : Mimi Kell (Madbury Properties)

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Heather Grant.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: May meeting minutes were approved.

Updates from Town Staff and Boards related to Housing:

Sally Tobias -Town Council updates were provided.

Nick Taylor – update on Invest NH, submittals for grant funding starts in July

Heather Grant – update on Planning Board projects, and notification of legal challenges for Gerrish Drive and Mill Plaza.

Discussion-

Tom Elliott update on housing sales. We continue to see low amount of housing on the market, fast sales, and high sales prices. Nick added that the calculations for workforce housing and salaries was just published, the figures continue to show the challenges of affordable housing.

Conservation subdivision zoning was reviewed for changes, we did not get through the whole section, so will continue to next meeting.

Adjournment –

The meeting concluded at 11:59 a.m.

Next Meeting-

July 11 meeting, will continue review of suggested zoning changes for the Conservation Subdivision. Charlotte will provide an update from a summary of the 5th Annual Hudson Valley Affordable Housing Summit that she was able to attend remotely.