

TOWN OF COLEBROOK
HOUSING PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
Monday, March 21, 2022 – 5:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

E Marmar called the March 21, 2022, zoom meeting of the Colebrook Housing Plan Steering Committee was called to order at 5:02 PM.

Members Present

Members of the Commission present: Ernie Marmar, Martha Neal, David Sartirana, Laura Bartlett, Cathie Norton, and Marc Melanson. Debbie Crowell joined the meeting at 5:04

Also present, Jocelyn Ayer (Center for Housing Opportunity) and Chris Johnstone (First Selectman)

Approval of minutes

E Marmar asked if everyone received and read a copy of the February 21, 2022, minutes. He asked if anyone had any objections. Hearing no objections or changes the minutes were approved.

Discussion of resident housing needs survey results to date

E Marmar turned the meeting over to J Ayer for her presentation.

- Went over the summary of survey results and said that there were 210 responses to date and that there are 590 households in town. She said that 230 responses would be a 95% competence level.
- J Ayer went over the slides that she prepared for the informational meeting.
- A question was asked if the towns in the video had water and sewer. Some had both water and sewer, and some were septic systems and wells.
- Discussion on when the informational meeting that would be held and if it should be in person or by Zoom.
- Went over the comments that were submitted from the survey.
- Discussed what the goals for the informational forum was. To get feedback from the residents.

Motion: E. Marmar made a motion to hold a public information session about the status of the Town's Affordable Housing effort in two sessions: a) at the Senior and Community Center May 5th, 2022, at 12:00 pm. and b) by Zoom on April 25th, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

Second: M. Neal

Vote: All in Favor

Motion passes

Discussion on how long the survey should be kept open. Until about 1 week before the informational forum.

Question was asked about at what point does the committee have a discussion with Planning and Zoning regarding the housing needs? J. Ayer said that it would be later in the process.

The April 18th meeting of the committee will be scheduled, and the next meeting will be the informational meeting on April 25th and May 5th.

The next regular meeting of the committee will be on May 16th

Motion: A motion was made to adjourn by M Neal

Second: L Bartlett.

Vote: All in favor

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Melanson