

Waterbury Housing Task Force Thursday, December 19th, 2024

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

ZOOM ONLY

MINUTES:

Attendees: Owen Sette-Ducati, Alyssa Johnson, Eliza Novick-Smith, Chris Balzano, Joe Camaratta, Kati Gallagher

Excused: Maddy Young

Absent: Peter Hack, Skip Flanders, Em Lamson,

Called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

Motion to approve November Minutes made by Chris, second by Owen. Adopted. Alyssa Johnson abstains.

Cheryl Casey introduces herself to group, taskforce members introduce themselves to Cheryl.

Cheryl provides update on education series development works he has been doing.

- Met with Judi Byron, confirmed. 2/11, 3/18, 4/15, 5/13
- Neal and Mike confirmed to present on zoning and planning for February session.
- ORCA confirmed to record and provide live feed.
- Discussed titles for event to be clear about purpose/content and engaging.

Discuss possibilities for using HTF webpage more expansively.

- Cheryl has capacity to workshop how we can expand website.

Discuss time frames for sessions, how to ensure content is engaging.

Discuss 2024 Accomplishments

- Recommendation on STR
- Grant for Education Series from VCF, hired project manager, and set dates for programs in 2025.
- Updated data for town plan
- Housing Trust Fund recommendations
- Website updates
- Connected with neighbors, orgs and experts in the housing space: Hinesburg Housing Task Force, Habitat for Humanity, etc. Developed group knowledge and capacity.

2025 Goal Brainstorm

- Grants for expanding programs
- Housing Trust Fund Program Development
- Assist Planning Commission on Town Plan Housing Chapter
 - Housing Target for CVRCP: what methodology? How realistic, how specific? Rough calculation, more detailed.

- Adopt continuing focus on 2024 Goals.
- Build relationships with local employers
- Continue to support town's efforts for larger development.
- Track other initiatives.
- Continue to look at best practices and grow group capacity
- Long term vision for role of HTF in town

Will review and approve at January.

Adjourn 7:16 p.m.