**Housing Action Committee**

Subcommittee of the Comprehensive Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: [9/6/2023]

Time: [6:05]

Attendees: [Jason L, Mary M, Tracy K, Joanne J, Mike S, Dave A]

Notetaker: [David A]

Approval of Minutes: Approved with formatting updates

Additional Agenda Items: discuss affordable housing application

Agenda Item 1:

Mike report on the affordable housing application for a forgivable loan and things that a developer would have to do to build this type of housing and what they need to do to get the incentives. Due Dec 7th. Need to be a preliminary design, and a lot in place ready to go. 5-18 units. We are not aware of anything in Bowdoinham that would meet this criteria. Probably geared more toward Skowhegan, Rumford. More for rehab of existing structure. Corner lot where the fire was would be good, might be worth reaching out to the owner, but loan application is geared toward experienced affordable housing developers.

Agenda Item 2: workshop of subdivision ordinance.

Tracy and Dave report on their research into modifying the subdivision ordinance. Need some professional help to check on legality and reserarch existing language.

Agenda Item 3: Celebrate B’ham.

Joanne has board with grid and beans to talk about density. Pictures from Harald for voting. Map of Bowdoinham. Add voting about what is your favorite Rural Land Use? (hunting, fishing, farming, skiing, birdwatching]

Action Items:

get maps of all the lots. Research into how mil rates are affected with lot sizes, Mary will find lawyers who can vet some land use ordinance language, Mike will check with his council too. Can dave put together the “what kind of neighborhood do you like” farm field, houses, factory, forest, parking lot, people move stuff around, take a picture. ]

Future Agenda Items:

continue workshopping with the maps, report back on legality of proposals, report on activities from Celebrate, when can we get something to the Planning Board?]

Meeting adjourned: [7:28]

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