

Waterbury Housing Task Force Meeting

Thursday, July 20th, 2023 | 6:00-8:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting: Steele Community Room (28 N. Main St.) and on Zoom

MINUTES

Attendees: Alyssa Johnson, Chris Balzano, Mary Koen, Joe Camaratta, Mark Pomilio Jr., Madeleine Young, Eliza Novick-Smith, and Kati Gallagher

Review agenda

Changes to the agenda were made: The Review questions section was moved to the next meeting's agenda.

Review and approve minutes from the 6/15/2023 task force meeting

The Members of the Task Force reviewed and approved the minutes from the June 15, 2023 Meeting. **Eliza Novick-Smith** made a motion to accept the minutes and **Alyssa Johnson** seconded the motion, none opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Flood update / Support needed from Housing Task Force

Alyssa gave an update on the flood. There are a variety of affected areas throughout Waterbury. The majority of the damage was done to basements, however some businesses and residents did have damage on their first floor. A discussion on what our role should be as a task force for flood recovery. The group decided that they were not going to add anything new but support and help the current flood efforts.

Review questions suggested for Housing Needs Assessment in the Community Survey section of the shared resource document available on the Housing Task Force page

Section moved to the next Task Force meeting.

Update on data available for Housing Needs Assessment

The task force reviewed the presented document from Main Street America to see how it could be implemented to support/guide our work. Joe presented a document outlining the municipal plan and how we can use the Housing Needs Assessment to achieve the municipal plan's goals. The Stanley & Wasson parcel is a good example of a starting place to start thinking about the discussed questions. A further discussion was had on the data available and our next steps for the Housing Needs Assessment.

Other potential short-term action items to consider

The task force will put together a resource page for the public on housing resources. The different members of the task force chose tasks to work in between meetings.

Review and discussion of potential agenda items for next meeting

Study Hall: Work on current tasks at the next meeting

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by **Eliza Novick-Smith** and seconded by **Chris Balzano**, none opposed. It passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm