### **Affordable Housing Action Committee (Peterborough)**

# Minutes of the Meeting Thursday December 10, 2015

12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Coronation Room, 534 George Street N Peterborough Ontario K9H 3S2

**Present:** Katherine Blackwood (Chair), City Councillor Diane Therrien, Alan Cavell,

Barb Fowler, Christine McKay, Kelly Scott, Paul Armstrong, Sarah Burke

Affordable Housing Action Committee

Staff Support: Linda Mitchelson, Michelle Longhurst, Rebecca Morgan Quin

Regrets: Bonnie Clark, County Councillor Rick Woodcock, Dorothy Olver, John

Martyn, Nadia Frantellizzi (CMHC)Paul Gillam, Sandy Woodhouse, Susan

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Guests: Elisha Rubacha

## **Key Messages for City and County Councillors on AHAC**

- AHAC recognizes the upcoming opportunities to advocate to the federal government on housing issues as many of the federal ministers now have housing included in their portfolios and many of the parliamentary secretaries have housing backgrounds.
- The provincial report "<u>A Place to Call Home</u>" outlines recommendations from the provincial expert panel to tackle homelessness. Some key recommendations include: adopting a common definition of homelessness provincially; homelessness-related data collection, measurement and tracking; focusing on youth, Aboriginal, and chronic homelessness, as well as focusing on homelessness that can follow transitions from provincially-funded institutions (e.g. jails and hospitals).
- AHAC is collaborating with Peterborough Social Planning Council to develop a plan to advocate with municipal councils regarding an increase to the rent supplement programs delivered in the City and County.
- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That the Affordable Housing Action Committee (AHAC) approve the December 10, 2015 agenda.

M. City Councillor Therrien

S. Christine McKay

Carried

**3.** Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion: That the Affordable Housing Action Committee (AHAC) approve the November 12, 2015 minutes.

M. Alan Cavell S. Kelly Scott

**Carried** 

- **4.** Business Arising from Previous Meeting none
- **5.** Community Updates verbal update provided

Motion: That the Affordable Housing Action Committee (AHAC) collaborates with the Peterborough Social Planning Council about rent supplement programs and will look for opportunities to advocate to municipal, provincial and federal governments as a part of AHAC's 2016 AHAC Work Plan.

M. Paul Armstrong

S. Alan Cavell

Carried

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- 6. Association Updates
  - 6.1. Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association (ONPHA) verbal update provided
  - **6.2.** Canadian Housing & Renewal Association (CHRA) verbal update provided
- 7. Reports from Sub-Committees, Adhoc Committees and Working Groups
  - 7.1. Community Education verbal update provided
  - 7.2. Services See 9.1 below
  - **7.3.** Supply October and December 2015 notes are available upon request
  - **7.4.** "Road Map for Housing Developers" Communication Plan Working Group verbal update provided
  - **7.5.** Adhoc committee to celebrate National Housing Day 2015 (November 26, 2015) verbal update provided
  - 7.6. Collective Impact Working Group Update verbal update provided
- 8. Reports from Other Standing Committees
  - 8.1. Homelessness Support Services Coordinating Committee no meeting since last update
  - 8.2. Peterborough Poverty Reduction Network (PPRN) verbal update
- 9. AHAC Action Plan 2015 Update deferred
- 10. New Business
  - **10.1** Seeds of Change verbal presentation made by Elisha Rubacha
  - **10.2** Budget Update -verbal update provided
  - **10.3** Location and Schedule of AHAC Meetings for 2016
    - Reminder that beginning in January the AHAC meetings will be held in the Sutherland Room at City Hall
- 11. Key Messages for City and County Councillors on AHAC
  - See page 1 (before Item 1)
- **12.** Items for Upcoming Meetings
  - 12.1 Rent Supplement and Housing Stability Update RE: Report to Council
- 13. Motion to adjourn the meeting.
  - M. Alan Cavell
  - **Meeting Adjourned by Consensus**
- **14.** Next Meeting Thursday January 14, 2016 at 12:00p.m. in the Sutherland Room at City Hall (500 George Street N Peterborough K9H 3R9)