Affordable Housing Action Committee (Peterborough)

Minutes of the Meeting Thursday February 9, 2017

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

City Board Room, City Hall (500 George Street N, Peterborough)

Present: Katherine Blackwood (chair), Alan Cavell, Barb Fowler, City Councillor Diane

Therrien, County Councillor Bev Matthews, Karen Hennessey (arrived at 1:15p.m.),

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Paul Armstrong, Stephen Gibbs (left at 1:30p.m.

Dorothy Olver, Michelle Longhurst, Rebecca Morgan Quin (arrived at 12:35p.m.) Staff: Regrets: Bonnie Clark, Christine McKay, John Martyn, Sarah Burke, Sandy Woodhouse

Key Messages for City and County Councillors on AHAC

- Local emergency shelters (Cameron House, Brock Mission and YES Shelter for Youth and Families) are at capacity and there is a high number of people staying at the Warming Room this winter
- The Coldest Night of the Year walking fundraiser for Brock Mission and Cameron House is on February 25, 2017, beginning at 5:00p.m. at the old Brock Mission facility (217 Murray Street Peterborough)
- AHAC has begun planning a National Housing Day event for November 2017
- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- **2.** Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That the Affordable Housing Action Committee (AHAC) approve the February 9, 2017 agenda.

M. City Councillor Diane Therrien

S. Paul Armstrong

Carried

- 3. Approval of Previous Minutes deferred
- 4. Business Arising from Previous Meeting
 - **4.1.** Advocacy draft proposed Tweet and Email

Motion: That AHAC sends a letter, revised to include suggested edits, to Minister Monsef, MP Rudd, MP Schmale, and MPP Leal, with copies to Minister Duclos and Minister Ballard, which forwards the Housing is Fundamental 2016 and the Housing Perceptions Survey Summary 2016 documents and recommends that the National Housing Strategy includes adequate resources for more supportive housing, rent supplements and assistance for people with the greatest need (lowest incomes).

M. Stephen Gibbs

S. Alan Cavell

Carried

4.2. National Housing Day event

Motion: That AHAC establish an adhoc committee to plan an event to celebrate National Housing Day in November 2017.

M. Stephen Gibbs

S. City Councillor Diane Therrien

Carried

- 5. Updates Community, Housing Division, PPRN, ONPHA, CHRA, CMHC
 - The Mount Community Centre Phase 1 is fully rented up
 - Local emergency shelters and the Warming Room have been very full lately
 - March 20, 2017 Supportive Housing workshop contact Carol Gordon carol@kpp.ca



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- 5. Updates Community, Housing Division, PPRN, ONPHA, CHRA, CMHC (continued)
 - Brock Mission temporarily re-located to St.Paul's (120 Murray Street Peterborough) demolition of old building in the next few months
 - February 25, 2017 Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser for Brock Mission and Cameron House
 - CMHC will be launching a fund in March that can provide developers with low-cost financing (lower than market rates) for affordable housing projects
 - ONPHA and CHRA updates are circulated regularly
- 6. AHAC Action Plan 2017 in revision stage
- 7. Progress Reports
 - **7.1.**Community Education

Motion: That AHAC approve an expense of up to \$100 for catering expenses related to the community consultation event on March 15 2017 at the Chamber of Commerce.

M. County Councillor Bev Matthews

S. Alan Cavell

Carried

- **7.2.** Services HSSCC Update (monthly meetings)
 - Discussions re: A Way Home Peterborough for preventing youth homelessness working through HPS funding to do mapping of services
 - Enumeration on homelessness every 2 years Peterborough will combine a Point in Time County and a Registry Week activity for 2018 (HPS funding will be used)
- **7.3.** Supply February 2016 notes are available upon request
 - Trent Community Research Centre current project topics include: rent supplement (quality of life); supportive housing; transitional housing at YES; volunteers at Warming Room – Please send any suggestions to Dawn or Alan
 - Sustainable Peterborough Climate Action Plan funding to assist with making housing more energy efficient should be available soon
 - Regenerating places of faith event on April 25, 2017 @ Trinity Church
- 8. New Business
 - **8.1.**National Housing Collaborative (NHC) re: 2017 Federal Budget (see letter and link) Discussion around recommendations for the National Housing Strategy
 - 8.2. Rent Supplement Research

Motion: That AHAC approve an expense of up to \$500 for postage costs related to the rent supplement "quality of life" survey through the Trent Community Research Centre, in partnership with the City of Peterborough's Housing Division and Peterborough Housing Corporation.

M. Paul Armstrong Carried

S. City Councillor Diane Therrien

- 9. Key Messages for City and County Councillors on AHAC See page 1 (before Item 1)
- **10.** Items for Upcoming Meetings none at this time
- 11. Motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Alan Cavell

Meeting Adjourned by Consensus

12. Next Meeting: Thursday March 9, 2017 at 12:00p.m. in the Doris Room at City Hall (500 George Street N Peterborough K9H 3R9)

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