

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
*June 8, 2010*

**PRESENT:** Paul Armstrong, Mayor Paul Ayotte, Councillor Brian Bartlett, John Bennett (Chair), Katherine Blackwood, Gayle Hutchison, John Martyn, Christine McKay, Melinda Rees, Linda Saunders

**STAFF:** Dorothy Olver, Sally Samis

**REGRETS:** Susan Bacque, Rosemary O'Donnell,

**GUESTS:** Dorothy Boddy, Roy Brady

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**1. WELCOME AND SOCIAL TIME ~ Light Refreshments Served!**

**(2:30)**

**Introductions**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion:** That AHAC approve the agenda as presented.

**M:** Mayor Paul Ayotte     **S:** County Councillor Brian Bartlett

**Carried**

**3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES ~**

**Motion:** That AHAC approve the minutes of May 11, 2010 as distributed.

**M:** Paul Armstrong                     **S:** John Martyn

**Carried**

**4. DELEGATIONS**

**None**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**5.1. Property Standards Working Group Proposal~RFP**

- Melinda Rees reported on the status of the PSWG proposal~RFP, on the purpose and need. The RFP has been through a number of reiterations and Susan Bacque reworked and distributed it back to the WG. Now it is in a final draft status.
- A few highlights of the RFP:
  - Background
  - Project summary and timelines
  - Consultant responsibilities
  - Definition of housing

- Survey of stakeholders
- Create a photo record
- Deliverables
- Goals
- Mayor Ayotte asked about the goals set out in 7.7b and understanding that the order gets hung up in court. Is there legislation in other municipalities regarding enforcement? Melinda said that other municipalities have a broad range of authority. She also said that tenants are reluctant to start the complaint process and even when it is started it moves slowly. There is a major delay in getting the order issued and will look into whether it is a resource issue.

John Martyn asked if the consultant would present the report and implementation plan. Melinda said yes and part of the plan is to present to City and County Councillors. Education will be a large component of this report. \$12,000 has been identified from AHAC and this is our final meeting, will AHAC have an opportunity to view final copy of proposal. Melinda said that is close except for a couple of minor typo's that will be corrected.

**Motion:** That AHAC approve the Property Standards Working group proposal in principle

**M.** Paul Armstrong            **S.** Melinda Rees

**Carried**

## **5.2. AHAC's political involvement in the 2010 Municipal Election**

- John Martyn said that the Poverty Reduction Network has a plan in their Strategic Planning Exercise and will be meeting with the AHAC Supply on June 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss. Candidates will not be declared until Sept. 10, 2010 with the election on Oct 25, 2010. There will be little time. The Supply committee is meeting over the summer and will look at this.
- Melinda Rees said that the Services committee is heavily involved with the PSWG proposal.
- Paul Armstrong said that the Community Education committee is working on the 2010 Housing is Fundamental.

## **5.3. Bill C-304**

- A letter sent to local MP's on May 26, 2010. No response to date. (Electronic copies of replies were circulated electronically during the summer)

## **6. REPORT FROM SUB-COMMITTEES**

### **6.1. Community Education**

- Paul Armstrong reported that all of the copy for Housing is Fundamental 2010 was being organized in a thematic way. The committee would like to present to Susan Bacque and have ready for an upcoming COW meeting.

### **6.2. Services**

- Melinda Rees handed out the Legal centre draft newsletter and highlighted a couple of items: the article on licensing of landlords and a "Youth Justice Forum" being held on June 23.

### **6.3. Supply**

- See 7.1 below.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1. Letter from Poverty Reduction Network**

- John Martyn presented a request from PRN.

**Motion:** That AHAC approve that AHAC Supply be an advisory group to the PRN.

**M.** John Martyn            **S.** Mayor Paul Ayotte

### **Highlights of Discussion:**

- John Martyn said that the previous AHAC minutes as far back as January indicated that the Supply committee would liaison with PRN with himself sitting on both committees. AHAC is well represented at the Supply table with John Bennett, Paul Armstrong and himself there.
- Melinda Rees asked if the PRN would seek funding from the City of Peterborough. John Martyn said “no” that the network is incorporated so they can accept donations and funding from outside sources. John Martyn said that the Trillium Foundation has granted funding and PRN looking at hiring a coordinator on a 3 year contract.
- John Martyn suggested that if AHAC agrees to the PSWG proposal they could apply to PRN for funding.
- John Martyn said he hoped to see the Supply Sub-committee be a working group to PRN for AHAC with the work they are doing brought to the AHAC table and endorsed back to the PRN.
- Mayor Ayotte said that PRN is moving in the right direction by developing the Community hub idea.

As a result of the discussion where members put various amendments/additions forward, the chair and movers of the previous motion accepted withdrawing the motion and accepting the following motion in its place:

**Motion:** That AHAC agree to be an advisory group to the Housing Security area of the Network’s overall plan for poverty reduction but that the this motion does not include endorsement of the PRN draft plan as presented.

**M.** Katherine Blackwood    **S.** County Councillor Brian Bartlett  
**Carried**

### **8. COMMUNITY UPDATES**

- Paul Armstrong selling tickets for a CMHA fundraiser. Proceeds (\$35,000) to help fund the Homelessness street workers.
- No other updates at this time.

### **9. Motion to Adjourn**

Kathy Blackwood

### **10. ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETING**

### **11. NEXT MEETING:**

Sept. 14, 2010 ~ 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ~ CCRC, 540 George St N