
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
January 11, 2011



PRESENT: John Bennett (Chair), Gayl Hutchison, John Martyn, Christine McKay, Ros O'Donnell, Linda Saunders, Sarah Tate, Affordable Housing Action Committee

STAFF: Susan Bacque, Rebecca Morgan Quin, Dorothy Olver, Sally Samis

REGRETS: Paul Armstrong, Katherine Blackwood, City Councillor Henry Clarke, County Councillor Janet Clarkson, Melinda Rees

GUESTS: Lisa Smith, United Way

1. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Christine McKay asked to have an item added to Business Arising from Previous Meeting re: Reducing Rural Poverty and Homelessness program.

Motion: That AHAC approve the agenda as amended.

M. Gayle Hutchison **S.** Christine McKay

Carried

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES November 9, 2010 and December 14, 2010

Motion: That AHAC approve the minutes of November 9, 2010 and December 14, 2010 as distributed.

M. Gayle Hutchison **S.** Christine McKay

Carried

4. MEETING DATES AND TIMES~2011

- Members put various suggestions and amendments forward
 - Decision made to try the second Friday of February from 10am-12pm. John Bennett will send an email out to get input from absent members.

5. DELEGATIONS/Guests

5.1. Lisa Smith, United Way

- Homelessness Partnering Strategy extended for three years to Mar. 31, 2014
- United Way confirmed as the community enity and pleased that they are involved.
- CMHA funding extended for one year.
- Community plan due by Mar. 31, 2011
- Ongoing consultations with city and service agencies.
- Lisa and Dorothy Olver to be on the agenda for Feb. meeting

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1. Property Standards Working Group RFP

No Report

6.2. Short Term Rent Support Program

Rebecca Morgan Quin said that after helpful conversations with MMAH.

- Local name ~Peterborough Rental Housing Support Program.
- Waiting on the transfer agreement.
- There are two ways to access, one way will see HRC send letters to those currently on the top of the centralized waiting list and an opportunity will be given to those paying market rent that are in social housing waiting for a subsidized units

- This program is funded with Federal funds~leftover ROOF funds.

6.3. Housing plans/Strategies/Housing Stability

No discussion

6.4. Social Services-Orientation for Townships

- Susan Bacque and Linda Mitchelson working jointly to provide orientation to the municipal councils.
- Brenda Dayles, Social Planning Council has visited the municipal councils.
- Susan Bacque suggested that a delegation go to the Clerk's and Treasurers monthly meeting to present Housing is Fundamental and educate on housing issues. Second step would be to visit each municipality after that.
- Rosemary O'donnell suggested a Quick Reference guide be developed as a handout.
- John Martyn suggested a working group be formed to develop an information sheet on housing and homelessness services. Rosemary O'Donnell, Susan Bacque, Rebecca Morgan Quin and CMHA intake Worker to make up working group. Further discussion required.

6.5. Reducing Rural Poverty and Homelessness program

Christine McKay distributed the program cards to the Warsaw municipal office. She has received calls that there aren't any hydro funds available. Rosemary O'Donnell said the RRPB program is not be confused with the actual funding available. The RRPB program has Outreach centres in Buckhorn, Havelock and Apsley to help client's access city based services., anyone who has access to Skype can access the program.

7. REPORT FROM SUB-COMMITTEES

7.1. Community Education~Housing is Fundamental township tours-update

John Martyn said the work has started but they are limited by the data. Looking at a theme of housing and mental health. The committee is working with the arts community, there is a meeting scheduled at the Art gallery with the curator.

7.2. Services

No report

7.3. Supply

Sarah Tate said the Supply committee met on Dec. 1 with a focus on supportive housing with representative from Community living, CMHA and KPP in attendance.

- Main Issues:
 - Concern for clients
 - Have their own housing or sublet
 - Partnerships~sharing resources
 - Looking for a fresh view on supportive housing in Peterborough with a new look at innovative strategies
- Second priority is to see movement on the Housing Strategy, at the next Supply meeting a presentation re: PPRN and housing lead
- Various members met with MP Dean DelMastro, he is unwilling to change his view of Bill C104. He said there is a strategy in place and we are still waiting for him to circulate.
- A joint effort between the Supply committee and PPRN working group is a petition for Bill C104. Looking for a 1000 signatures. Petition will be sent directly to the Federal government or Senate not DelMastro. The committee is looking for AHAC support.
- Sarah is asked to bring back a written proposal to AHAC with communication and purpose for the next agenda.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 County Representative~Janet Clarkson

8.2 Meeting dates and times~2011

See item #4.1

8.3 Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy

- Susan Bacque said the City's housing strategy is on hold but the LTAH is moving ahead quickly, and could be passed in the next several months.
- The Act is calling for a Housing and Homelessness plan to be in place by the beginning of 2013

8.4 New Social Services After Hours phone number~705-740-6222 effective immediately

Information only

8.5 Homelessness Prevention Plan update

Deferred

9. COMMUNITY UPDATES

Deferred

10. ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETING

11. Motion to adjourn

M. John Martyn

12. NEXT MEETING: To Be Determined