Affordable Housing Action Committee (Peterborough)

Minutes of the Meeting

Thursday September 11, 2014

12:00pm - 2:00pm

Coronation Room, George Street United Church

534 George Street N Peterborough Ontario K9H 3S2

Present: Alan Cavell, Barb Fowler, Bonnie Clark, Christine McKay, John Martyn, Katherine Blackwood, Kelly Scott, Paul Armstrong, Sarah Burke

Staff: Dorothy Olver, Michelle Longhurst, Susan Bacque

Regrets:City Councillor Henry Clarke, County Councillor Ron Windover, Linda
Mitchelson, Paul Gillam, Rebecca Morgan Quin, Sandy Woodhouse

- **1.** Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of the Agenda Motion: That AHAC approve the agenda.
 M. Bonnie Clark S. Christine McKay Carried
- Approval of Previous Minutes Motion: That AHAC approve the June 12, 2014 minutes.
 M. Alan Cavell S. Christine McKay Carried
- **4.** Community Updates
 - Peterborough's Social Services Division switching to new technology as of November 10, 2014, a part of the province-wide change
 - Community Forum will be held regarding the Provincial Poverty Reduction Strategy in the week of November 10 to 15, 2014 (date TBC)
 - The Mount Community Centre yard sale in the morning of September 13, 2014
 - "Social Issues" All Candidates Debate on October 16, 2014 (6:30p.m. to 9:00p.m.) at the Evinrude Centre (contact John Martyn or Christine Post to facilitate)
 - Ontario Works rate increase as of October 1, 2014 (<u>www.peterborough.ca/socialservices</u>)
- 5. Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association (ONPHA)

Motion: That AHAC approves up to \$1500 for expenses associated with Alan Cavell's expenses as per City guidelines (e.g. registration, accommodation, travel and meals) for the Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association conference on November 15 and 16 in Ottawa Ontario, on behalf of AHAC. M. Sarah Burke S. John Martyn Carried Motion: That AHAC supports the payment of the \$3700 expense for rent

supplement research by a consultant, as approved on October 10, 2013, to be charged to the 2014 AHAC budget. M. Bonnie Clark S. Kelly Scott Carried



- **6.** Business Arising from Previous Meeting
- 6.1. "Bridges Out of Poverty" Session Update
 - Registration is closed for September 16, 2014 training opportunity
- 6.2. Annual AHAC Action Plan Development
 - First draft will be brought back to AHAC in October for committee review
 - Timeline for the Action Plan to be aligned with the City's budget approvals process (January to December)
- 7. Reports from Sub-committees
- 7.1. Community Education verbal update on Housing is Fundamental (HiF)
 - Chair and committee acknowledge the commitment and hard work of Paul Armstrong in the development of the 2014 Housing is Fundamental.

Motion: That AHAC accepts the 2014 edition of Housing is Fundamental, as presented by the Community Education Sub-Committee Chair. M. Christine McKay S. Kelly Scott Carried

- Rollout of the 2014 edition will involve: circulation to City County and Township Councils through a memo from Susan Bacque; informal distribution until January (keep a distribution list if possible); and a report to Joint Services Steering Committee or City Council and a road show through the new Councils (including townships)
- Planning for the 10th anniversary edition in 2015 will require a larger group's input, using the Housing and Homelessness Plan reporting on the baseline year, supportive housing need, rent supplement program successes and scope of need and a reflection on the past decade in Housing.
- 7.2. Services See 8.1 below
- **7.3.** Supply June and July 2014 notes are available upon request
- 8. Reports from Other Standing Committees
- 8.1. Homelessness Support Services Coordinating Committee
 - Verbal update on June 25, 2014 meeting
- 8.2. Peterborough Poverty Reduction Network www.ptbopovertyreduction.ca
 - Verbal update
- 9. New Business

9.1. Overview of Reports from Housing and Social Services Divisions - deferred to October **9.2.** Municipal Elections - See community updates

10. Items for Upcoming Meeting –

- National Housing Day 2014
- Housing Resource Centre Presentation on Services (possible)
- Rent Geared-to-Income Waiting List Update

11. Motion To adjourn the meeting. M. Barb Fowler Meeting Adjourned by Consensus

12. Next Meeting - Thursday October 9, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. in the Coronation Room