



East Greenwich Affordable Housing Commission Meeting

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June 2, 2023 at 3pm

DPW Conference Rm, 111 Pierce St, East Greenwich RI 02818

Attendance: S. Aitcheson, D. Dufault, A. Tovar, P. Rodgers, Shana DeFelice

Excused: D. Bassen

Staff: Christina Marseglia, John Studley

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:04 by S. Aitcheson
2. A. Tovar made a motion to approve the March 31, 2022 minutes. D. Dufault seconded them and the motion passed unanimously.
3. There was a discussion of affordable housing projects proposed and in construction. S. Aitcheson and P. Rodgers had attended the public planning hearings for the proposed Division St housing. They gave their comments of what was discussed at the hearings. The next public hearing is in June 21.
4. We spent a few minutes introducing ourselves to each other. We had new member Shana DeFelice and the new planner, John Studley. S. Aitcheson's term will end July 2023. D. Dufault has agreed to Chair the Commission for the next year.
5. S. Aitcheson, D. Dufault and P. Rodgers had attended the April 10, 2023 Town Council meeting and presented our Annual Report. S. Aitcheson summarized the letter for the Council and emphasized ADUs and State funds that may be available for EG.
6. S. Aitcheson noted the recent RI Foundation Housing Report and the new National Zoning Atlas project. Kent county has already been prepared for RI by Housing Works RI at Roger Williams University.
7. Ideas for the public engagement page were discussed. All members will collect ideas. It was suggested that we update our old flyer with new information. Some ideas collected for the engagement page were: Advantage of getting to 10% affordable units, the towns positive experiences with EG Housing Authority, veterans get priority on waitlist at many sites and so forth. All members will consider comments for the Commissions Annual report for the Town Council which is due in the fall.
8. It was proposed that the next meeting would be at the end of September.
9. There was a motion by D. Dufault to adjourn the meeting at 3:59pm. P. Rodgers seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Aitcheson