

Scarborough Housing Alliance
Meeting Minutes
July 26, 2023, 6:00pm

Present via Zoom: None.

Present at Town Hall: Bill Donovan, Bryan Shumway, Bob Nadeau, Micaela Sargent, Eric Boucher, Leroy Crockett, and Tom Hall.

Excused: Dick LaRou.

Guests: Jean-Marie Caterina, Town Council liaison (at Town Hall).

1. The meeting began at 6:01pm.
2. The minutes for April 26, 2023, were approved as presented with a motion from Bill, second by Leroy, and all members voting in favor. The minutes for June 29, 2023, were approved as presented with a motion from Bill, second by Leroy, and all members voting in favor.
3. 3i Home/POAH request for CEA – Tom noted that the TIF would run coincidental with the remaining time on the relevant TIF district, which is approximately 26 years, he highlighted the timing of the 9% application which would be supported by the CEA, and discussed the status of the Town Council relative to the request. After a brief discussion, Bill made the following motion, per the Agenda: Move to recommend to the Town Council to approve the request for a 60% CEA for the 3i/POAH Project at The Downs. The motion was seconded by Bob and all members voted in favor.
4. Affordable Housing Agreement – The Downs currently has 13 affordable homes and there will be more in the future, and the Town expects the development of workforce housing that will be impacted by the Agreement. The Alliance created a subcommittee of Bryan, Micaela, and Bill to review the Agreement with the goal of improving functionality, documents, and related education.
5. LD 2003 – Tom noted that the Town Planner has thoroughly reviewed this legislation, and in the near future, the Town Council will be reviewing and approving any necessary changes resulting from it. The Ordinance committee will also be reviewing its impact to short-term rentals. Tom agreed to have the Town Planner attend the next Alliance meeting to discuss her thoughts and share her presentation.
6. Goals for 2023/2024 – Goals identified for the next year: 1. Collaboration opportunities/Relationship Building 2. Metric Tracking 3. Housing Cost Reduction Efforts 4. Alliance Recruitment (currently full at 7 members), and 5. Energy and weatherization.
7. Public comment – Margie Smetana stated that she met with Tom to express interest in the Town's asylum seeker initiatives. No further public comment or attendees.

8. The next meeting is scheduled for August 23, 2023, with proposed agenda items including a presentation from the Town Planner and updates from the subcommittee reviewing the Affordable Housing Agreement.

At 7:00pm, the Alliance adjourned its meeting with a motion by Eric, second by Bill, and all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Boucher
Secretary