

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOARD
Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 25, 2019

Present: Peter Ferrone, Vice Chairperson
Susan McCloskey
Kevin VanHise, Chairperson
Jean Washington
Murali Mallampati
Keva Stewart
Joyce Scott

Absent: None

Excused Absence: Mary McKillip
Craig Schultz

Also Present: Jennifer Carabelli, Liaison
Christopher Bobbitt, Council Liaison
Susan Snook, Recording Secretary

Statement of Adequate Notice:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.R.S. 10:4-10, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting.

Minutes:

The April 25, 2019 and June 27, 2019 minutes were approved per unanimous vote.

Public Comment: None

Cancel August Meeting:

The Board unanimously approved to cancel the August meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2019.

Township Actions:

Ms. Carabelli stated:

- 710 Eagles Chase Drive: It is ready for bid.
- 1 Roxboro Road: a lead inspection has to be performed before any construction can be performed
- E-17 Carver Road: nothing new to report

Update to Status of State Level:

Chairperson VanHise stated there is nothing new to report. Hopewell Township fairness hearing reached a new settlement and headed back to court for their preliminary agreement. Montgomery Township received their judgement of compliance and Princeton Township is still under negotiations.

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Other Business:

Diane Glory, who is representing Carriage Park Phase II, stated the five percent, which is a State order, has to say up to five percent. So for example, if the rent is \$500.00 they will pay a \$25.00 application fee which is not refundable because of the work that they have to do such as background checks for credit and criminal records.

Ms. Glory stated there will be a lottery soon with 16 units available. There is also a condition that once a person is in a unit they will have to recertify every year, so if your salary increases that might make your rent go higher or vice versa.

Ms. Stewart stated there are people who come up with financial circumstances and what can be done to help them get on the list, etc., so she asked for some suggestions. A suggestion was to reach out to Piazza & Associates; however, they prefer to stay in Lawrence. Chairperson VanHise suggested that people should look at different Township's web sites because there is always information on them because different towns have different types of programs. It is also good to get on the lists. Ms. Carabelli suggested 2 Alburtus Court, a unit that the Township has up for sale, and she should reach out to Dave DiPaolo, who is the realtor for the Township.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Digital audio file of this meeting is available upon request.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Snook
Recording Secretary

Minutes approved: _____