

RIDGEFIELD AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Meeting minutes 10/2/2019

Ridgefield Town Hall

Present members: Dave Goldenberg, Kent Rohrer , Kevin Brown

Guests: Joanne Search, Krista Willet, Whit Campbell, Lori Mazola, Sheryl Knapp, Vinny Liscio

Dave called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

Minutes of the prior meeting distributed and approved.

Homefront progress report (attachment A) We reviewed the timeline. Additional interviews have been completed and the remainder are being scheduled (attachment B). We don't have a person assigned to complete the land inventory and Kent agreed to assist in this task in early 2020. We also moved the date to complete the current housing availability to February of 2020. Kent will lead this effort. All other target dates are as previously published.

Survey planning. Dave indicated he was still working to find survey support. A meeting will be scheduled with the State Commissioner of Housing. Dave and Kent will attend this meeting.

Dave briefly discussed the concept of creating a Multifamily Alternative Development Zone. He will continue developing this concept and will share this in future meetings.

Guests Sheryl Knapp and Lori Mazzola shared some of their thoughts on affordable housing with most of the discussion related to the needs of affordable housing for disabled adults.

The next meeting is scheduled for 11/6/2019

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm

Prepare by Kent Rohrer, Secretary

## Attachment A – reviewed and updated during meeting

### HOME FRONT PLAN SCHEDULE (7/10/19)

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN '20	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
Interviews	X	X	X								
Survey			X	X	X	X	X				
Deed-Restricted Inventory			X	X	X	X	X				
Land Inventory				X	X	X	X				
Zoning Review				X	X	X	X				
Current Housing Availability				X	X	X	X				
Other Towns Plan Review					X	X	X				
Data Analysis						X	X				
Trend/News Review							X				
Review and Plan								X	X		
Write									X	X	
Print and Deliver											X

NOTE – WE moved Land Inventory and current housing availability to early 2020 to ensure data is current at the time Homefront is published.

Attachment B – updated as of October 2, 2019

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL</b>	<b>ASSIGNED TO</b>	<b>COMPLETE DATE</b>
Bus/Prof	Board of Realtors		Dave/Kent	Complete
Bus/Prof	Realtors	Focus Group	Dave/Kent	Complete
Bus/Prof		Atty. Bob Jewell	Dave	Complete
Bus/Prof	Chamber of Comm	Kim Bova	Joanne	TBS
Bus/Profl	Downtown Merchants		Joanne	TBS
Town	Social Services	Tony Phillips	Dave	Complete
Town	Selectmen	Rudy, Barbara, Steve, Maureen, Bob	Dave/Kevin	4 of 5 complete
Town	RHA	Frank Coyle	Kent/Dave	Complete
Town	ECDC	Arnold Light	Kent/Whit	Complete
Town	BOE Chair	Margaret Stamatis	Kevin	TBS
Town	Supt of Schools	Pattiforte	Kevin	TBS
Town	Comm on Aging	Debra F	Dave	Complete
Town	Comm on Disabled		Whit/Dave	TBS
Nonprofit	Ridgefield Clergy Assn	Focus Group	Dave	TBS

Nonprofit	Sphere	Chair	Kent	Complete
Nonprofit	League of WV	Chair	Kevin	TBS
Nonprofit	Founders' Hall	Grace Weber	Kent	Complete
Nonprofit	Meals on Wheels	Debra F	Dave	Complete
Nonprofit	RVNA	Exec Dir	Kevin	TBS
Nonprofit	Prospector	Kathy Mann	Kent	October 7
Nonprofit	Newcomers' Club		Whit	No response
Nonprofit	Owls		Kevin	TBS
Workers	Teachers' Union		Kevin	TBS
Workers	Muni Workers Union		Joanne	Not interested
Workers	Police Union		Joanne	Informal input/Complete
Workers	Bus Drivers' Union		Joanne	Not interested

**We added additional interviews of major private employers in Ridgefield**

<b>Private employer</b>	<b>Ridgefield Supply</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Kent</b>	<b>TBS</b>
<b>Private employer</b>	<b>Stop and Shop</b>	<b>Manager</b>	<b>TBD</b>	
<b>Private employer</b>	<b>Kohl's</b>	<b>Manager</b>	<b>TBD</b>	
<b>Commission for Accessibility</b>		<b>Don Ciotta</b>	<b>Whit</b>	<b>TBS</b>