Town of Warren Housing Plan Steering Committee

June 3, 2021 5pm

Meeting held via Zoom

<u>Members IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Tim Angevine, Diane Engle, Jack Travers, Missy Woodward, Victoria Sahadevan Fossland. Staff/consultant in attendance: Jocelyn Ayer

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The meeting opened and some questions from a guest were answered.

Jocelyn let the Housing Plan Steering Committee know that she would be planning to draft the Housing Plan over the next month including the housing needs assessment, resident input survey, goals and strategies that residents provided feedback on at the May 17th forum. She will get the draft to the Committee ASAP prior to the next meeting of the Steering Committee so members will have a chance to review it before the next meeting. She thanked Roger and Victoria for photos of the town that could be used in the Plan and said if anyone had any other photos they'd like to contribute, please email them to her.

The committee then discussed what the best forum/format might be for getting input on the draft Housing Plan. Since all the previous forums have had to be via Zoom due to the pandemic, an in-person format was discussed. Ideas included possibly attending a summer concert, the town beach, or the Fall Festival and having a table or display to let people know about the draft Housing Plan and seek input. Jocelyn will look at the dates for the summer concerts to see if one might work for this. The Committee will discuss this again at the next meeting.

The committee then discussed the possibility of having an in-person meeting with all the Warren Affordable Housing Corp. (WAHC) board members to review the draft Housing Plan with them as well. Jack said the WAHC was planning to have a meeting soon. Jocelyn offered to attend if it would be helpful. The Committee decided that once the Housing Plan was drafted and reviewed by the committee they would reach out to the WAHC to see if a meeting with them could be arranged.

In the meantime, Jocelyn will write to the Town Clerk to ask her to post a link to the short video showing affordable housing in NWCT and the link to the recording of the May 17th forum on the Housing Plan Steering Committee webpage and in the "news" section of the town website.

The committee then set the next two meeting dates for July 1 and Aug. 5th. Meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

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