

OTTAWA COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION

DATE: March 7, 2024

PLACE: Ottawa County Fillmore Complex, Conference Room F

PRESENT: Holly Cole, Pat Harmon, Jared Schuitema

ABSENT: John Gibbs, Klynt Marcusse

STAFF: Paul Sachs, Pam Vanden Heuvel, Kylie Vosburg, Ben Wetmore

PUBLIC: Virginia Beard, Ryan Kilpatrick (virtual), Tom Reinsma, Chris Uhl, *and other attendees that did not sign-in*

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Schuitema called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present to do business.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

HC 24-08 Cole moved to approve the Agenda for March 7, 2024. The motion passed.
UNANIMOUS

HC 24-09 Cole moved to approve the Minutes from January 4, 2024. The motion passed.
UNANIMOUS

OLD BUSINESS

Ryan Kilpatrick (Housing Next) and Chris Uhl (IFF) presented to the Commission an update on the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) implementation. Staff will coordinate with Kilpatrick and the Housing Commission to preview/attend an upcoming Housing Next educational workshop for area leaders and developers on the RLF. The Commission asked Kilpatrick to include active hyperlinks in the written status update that was included in the meeting packet prior to sharing this information with the local units of government. Kilpatrick agreed and stated that the document is meant to be interactive.

Vice President Schuitema asked Secretary Vanden Heuvel to obtain signatures on the Conflict of Interest Policy from the Commissioners following today's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice President Schuitema asked Harmon and Sachs to provide some insight into promoting rezoning to the local municipalities to allow for smaller home sizes. Harmon and Sachs informed the Commission why allowing smaller home sizes would be beneficial to both young adults and retirees not needing a large home.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Vice President Schuitema noted there are articles included in the packet for review.

Vice President Schuitema stated that the next Housing Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 10:00 am. The Commission discussed rescheduling the April meeting and determined that the April Housing Commission meeting will now be held on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 10:00 am.

ADJOURNMENT

HC 24-10

Schuitema moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:14 a.m. The motion passed.

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