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<u>Minutes of August 18, 2023,</u> Ayer Affordable Housing Committee (AAHC) Open Session Meeting Minutes.

Janet Providakes, Chair AAHC, presiding. Meeting called to order at 10:03 am AAHC Members present: Janet Providakes (Chair), Ron Morrison, David Cibor Also present: Alicia Hersey, AAHC Administrator, Alan Manoian, AOCED Director, Sara Withee from the public.

Agenda Items: General Business

Review and approval of agenda: no changes made. A motion was made by Ron Morrison to approve the meeting agenda as posted and seconded by Dave Cibor. Motion passed vote 3-0-0

Review and approval of minutes for AAHC meeting 7/21/2023:

Motion: A motion was made by Dave Cibor to approve the 7/21/2023 meeting minutes and seconded by Ron Morrison.

Motion passed by roll call vote 3-0-0

Agenda Item: Public Comment & Questions

None

Agenda Item: Public Forum: "Future of Housing in Ayer"

The date of October 19th was confirmed with a start time of 6:30 pm, to be held in the Great Hall. Alicia Hersey requested the evening include a public hearing for the Town's CDBG Housing Rehabilitation program. The committee agreed upon the outline of an agenda including initial pizza and visual preference activity, welcome by Janet Providakes, Alan Manoian will present update community demographics and Ron Morrison will give a residential real estate overview. Possible panel of experts at the end.

Agenda Item: Janet Providakes, Updates

- Janet Providakes updated the committee on the working group discussion on Ayer's current zoning. Ron Morrison recommended that the group look at downtown parking issues and how that affects the development of mixed-use residential housing units. Janet reported that the next working group meeting would be September 5th.

Discussion:

 Alicia Hersey reported that NOAH is looking for a letter of Support from the Select Board to the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) for their project at 65 Fitchburg Road.

Next meeting: AAHC Meeting September 15, 2023

Meeting Adjourned: 11:05 am **AAHC Motion:** Dave Cibor motioned to adjourn the AAHC meeting, Ron Morrison seconded. Motion passed 3-0-0

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