



Board of Selectmen Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022

The Yarmouth Board of Selectmen entered into open session at the Town of Yarmouth Housing Summit. This session was conducted in person in the Senior Center Ball Room, 528 Forest Road, West Yarmouth, MA.

The open session was called to order by Chairman Mark Forest at 5:05 p.m. In attendance were Selectmen Mark Forest, Michael Stone, Tracy Post, Daniel Horgan, and Peter Q. Smith. Also in attendance were housing consultant Karen Sunnarborg, and over thirty-five residents, stakeholders, business owners, and staff.

1. Housing Summit

Chairman Forest convened the Housing Summit and welcomed all attendees emphasizing the importance of this planning process. The Chair then recognized Karen M. Greene, Director of Community Development, who reviewed the Housing Production Plan Update Process and Procedures, noting the Housing Summit and the Housing Needs Assessment are two of the initial steps in the overall process to update the Town's Housing Production Plan. This was followed by a presentation of the Yarmouth Needs Assessment by housing consultant Karen Sunnarborg.

Housing Summit participants then divided into small Breakout Groups and discussed visioning and action steps to address the Town's priority housing needs. At the completion of the Breakout Group discussions, each group provided a report to all Summit participants regarding their recommended priority action steps. All participants were then polled and voted their top-five action steps to address the Town's priority housing needs.

All participants were thanked for their attendance, and it was announced that an all-virtual Housing Summit will be held February 3, 2022 at 2 p.m. The Housing Summits would be followed by a community survey, the formal presentation of the draft Housing Production Plan, opportunities for public comment on the Plan, and public meetings.

2. Adjourn

MOTION: To adjourn the Board of Selectmen Meeting.

Motion by: Tracy Post

Seconded by: Mark Forest

Vote: All in favor: 5 yes; 0 no.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Waygan
Affordable Housing/CDBG Program Administrator

Exhibits:

- Yarmouth Housing Production Plan/Housing Needs Assessment PowerPoint Presentation, dated January 11, 2022
- Yarmouth Housing Summit Instructions for Facilitators, dated January 11, 2022
- Yarmouth Housing Summit Summary of Community Goals to Date, dated January 11, 2022
- Yarmouth Housing Summit Summary of Housing Strategies from the 2016 Housing Production Plan, dated January 11, 2022
- Town Maps of streets, zoning, town-owned land, aquifer protection districts, flood zones, poverty blocks, and proposed sewerage plan.