Stowe Housing Task Force

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Akeley Memorial Building 67 Main Street Stowe, Vermont



Housing Task Force Members: MacKee Macdonald, Walter Frame, Sarah Henshaw, Ken Braverman, Scott Coggins, Josi Kytle, Stefan Grundmann, Town Manager Charles Safford (Ex-officio), Mila Lonetto (Ex-officio)

Attendees: Assistant Town Manager Will Fricke, Public Works Director Harry Shepard, Public Works Engineer Kestrel Owens, Alison Karosas, Terrie Wehse

Call to Order

Chair Macdonald called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Approve Agenda and Minutes

Sarah Henshaw moved to approve the agenda and minutes. Josi Kytle seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Guest Speaker – Public Works Director Harry Shepard

Harry Shepard was in attendance to present on the Town's water and sewer capacity and how it relates to housing development. He explained the locations and mechanics of the Stowe sewer and water distribution systems, described the different pressure zones, source protection areas, water demand trends and permit capacities, and legal requirements. He noted that due to the discovery of PFAS in the village green water supply, the Water Commissioners opted not to expand that source of water and find an alternate source in order to expand capacity.

Slides and recording available at: <u>https://www.stowevt.gov/Government/Housing-Task-Force</u>

Walter Frame suggested that HTF members write down their thoughts thus far and what they have learned. He offered to compile them in to one document. Charles Safford noted that they should not debate or discuss policy over email and that the documents would be public record.

Upcoming Meeting Agendas

Will Fricke said they have invited Montpelier City Manager Bill Frazer to the November 6 meeting and are working to confirm. They have also discussed inviting a representative from Woodstock.

Josi Kytle suggested discussing past Planning Commission recommendations at a future meeting.

Public to be Heard Non-Binding

No public comment.

Adjournment

Chair Macdonald adjourned the meeting at 10:35am.

Notes

Minutes submitted by Will Fricke.

The Stowe Housing Task Force meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 9:00am. A recording of this public meeting is available at: <u>https://www.stowevt.gov/Government/Housing-Task-Force</u>