

Sherman Housing Commission

Monday, Nov. 19, 2012

Minutes

Present: Steve Roffwarg, chair. Paul Hiro, surveyor. Michelle Hansen, Charles Reppenhagen, Jeanette Perlman. Guest: Carol Faure, Jim Munch. Clerk, Lynne Gomez.

Minutes: Minutes of the September 17 and Oct. 15 meeting were approved as read.

Paul Hiro updated the commission on survey work to date. Final survey will include topography on 60+ acres, including slopes, stonewalls, trails, fields, gardens, parking. After the initial survey, the title search will be done. A civil engineer will do testing to find out what the ground soils are like. Beatty will submit a proposal to do Percs and Deeps. The aerial work should come in by first week in December.

Still left to do: a detailed study of the 10-acre area. Nine to ten field days will complete the job. A 1956 survey found at town hall shows “a lot of stuff,” including highway monuments put in during the 1930’s. Thirty-six acres of open space need to be identified. The completed survey is expected to be available to the commission at its next meeting on Dec. 17.

Jim Munch spoke about his logging business and how he could provide an income stream for the project, depending on the type of trees on the property. Mr. Munch’s business could provide a service that would: provide a timber appraisal, work to improve the stand, remove dead or weakened trees, provide a safer forest, sell existing timber, providing the funds to the town. Mr. Munch was asked to submit a formal proposal to the commission and to selectmen.

Discussion ensued on scope of the affordable senior housing project. During discussion of the creation of the 501C-3, the non-profit organization, Jill Finch’s name came up as someone who might be able to assist. Steve will contact Jill.

Next meeting will be on Monday, Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Submitted,

Lynne Gomez
Clerk