



**Town of Sherman
Housing Commission
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 20, 2015, 7:00 pm
Mallory Town Hall**

FINAL

Members Present: A. Van Plachecki, B. Hoag, C. Faure, and D. Tuck

Invited and Audience: First Selectman, C. Cope, and E. Hayes

Call to Order:

Chair, A. Van Plachecki Called the Meeting to Order at 7:05pm

Correspondence:

P&Z Commission: Notice of a Public Hearing on June 4, 2015- proposing to amend the Zoning Regulations in reference to Accessory Apartments and propose new Regulations regarding Accessory Dwellings, Residential Fencing, and Stone Walls & Historic Features

Status of Opening on Commission:

Chair A. Van Plachecki asked First Selectman, Cope if he had any suggestions for new members. Mr. Cope replied there were none at this time.

Tax Relief for the Elderly Recommendation:

Commissioner B. Hoag handed out an outline of the 2013 qualifying tax perimeters compared with what the Commission will be presenting to the BoS at the April meeting this Thursday. Chair A. Van Plachecki read a draft recommendation which the Housing Commission will also present to the First Selectman at the BoS meeting.. The recommendation is to increase income limits for both married and single qualifying Seniors. A lengthy discussion followed. The Commission fully supported the proposed recommendation. Chair, Von Plachecki and Commissioner Hoag will present the recommendation to the BoS on April 23rd, 2015 at the Regular Monthly Meeting.

General Commission Discussion:

The Commission discussed at great length scenarios and types of Senior housing vs. condominium housing. The Commission discussed the lack of amenities such as public transportation, a pharmacy and sidewalks for safe travel on foot. Discussion moved toward a survey that was conducted in the past to quantify the need for housing developments for Seniors in Sherman. The Commission would still like to invite the Land Use Attorneys from Branse & Willis to request guidance and present information regarding Senior Housing options for small towns per State mandates. First Selectman Cope stated he would follow up and give a call to Atty. Branse to find out details and availability.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner B. Hoag Moved to Approve the Minutes of March 16, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting, as written.

Seconded by: D. Tuck

Vote: For: Unanimous

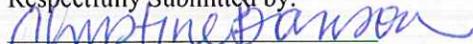
June 15th Housing Commission Meeting:

Commissioner D. Tuck Moved to Approve the cancellation of the June 15, 2015
Regular Monthly Meeting.
Seconded by: B. Hoag Vote: For: Unanimous

Adjournment:

Commissioner, B. Hoag Moved to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:20 pm.
Seconded by: D. Tuck Vote: For: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted by:



Christine Branson, Clerk

April 24, 2015

APPROVED AS FINAL AT THE MAY 18TH, 2015 MEETING