



Brevard County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

4:30 PM Thursday, April 20, 2023

County Government Center, Space Coast Room, Building C, Viera, FL

CHAIR: Corey Lancaster

MEMBERS PRESENT: Corey Lancaster, Robert Klimkowski, John Hopengarten, Cynthia Matthews, Rita Pritchett

MEMBER'S ABSENT: Carole Williams-Hayes, Brenda Burton, Josh Thompson

BREVARD COUNTY STAFF: Linda Graham, Alan Woolwich, Ed Wright, Peter Moore, Pam Davis, LaShonda Jackson

Summary Minutes

Call to Order/Introductions: Meeting called to order at 4:40 PM by Chair Corey Lancaster

New Business:

Recognition: Former Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) Member, Verdell Shackelford. Linda Graham made a presentation of behalf of the AHAC recognizing and thanking Ms. Shackelford for her years of service and contributions to affordable housing efforts to the citizens of Brevard County. A certificate was provided, and a group photo taken.

Recognition: 321 Builders, Residential Construction and Contractor Services. Ed Wright made a presentation of behalf of the AHAC recognizing and thanking Fred Dicke, Lee Johnson and Alexander Mister of the 321 Builders Construction Company for their excellent and timely residential construction services provided to the citizens of Brevard County. A certificate was provided, and a group photo taken.

Meeting Minutes: February 16, 2023. A motion to approve was made by John Hopengarten, second by Cynthia Matthews, approved unanimously.

Staff Reports:

Construction Projects: Alan Woolwich provided updated reports on the Hope Hammock Rental Housing Project quadplex in Titusville with Community of Hope and The Housing for Homeless Facility Roofing Project also in Titusville. There was committee discussion and questions about past and current project construction and materials costs. Staff stated they will review further and provide information on project costs at the next meeting.

Incentive Strategies: Alan Woolwich made a report on activities to date that included the review of current County surplus properties suitable for use in affordable housing and coordination efforts with county agencies on regulatory changes. Commissioner Pritchett inquired about available affordable housing incentives for the redevelopment of Brownfields on County property. Staff said they would follow up on this information request.

Live Local Act Legislation, SB 102: Alan Woolwich reported on the pending legislation and upcoming training opportunities on implementation for local governments. There was discussion among committee members about the potential need for sub-committees and to assist staff with implementation of the Act and local affordable housing incentives strategies.

Affordable Housing Summit: Linda Graham reminded the AHAC members of the Summit coming up on May 18, 2023, in Cocoa and encouraged all members to attend and participate and be sure to register online if they have not already done so. The all-day agenda will include local and statewide speakers on key issues and programs impacting Brevard County. Registration response has been very successful. Tables for housing provider displays are available at the event by request. John Hopengarten asked if the list of those registered could be made available for review.

Public Comment: Mr. Frank Pitt of Viera, Florida shared about his past involvement and interest in affordable housing issues in Brevard County and would like to become more informed and make contributions to solutions in the future.

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Robert Klimkowski, second by Cynthia Matthews, approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled: Thursday, June 15, 2023, 4:30 PM, Space Coast Room, 2nd Floor, Building C, Brevard County Government Center, Viera, FL 32940