



Council on Housing Stability

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 from 2:00PM – 3:30PM via Zoom

MINUTES

Members Present:

Eric Adams

Taylor Caswell

Dean Christon

George Copadis

Tom DeRosa (D)

Representative Tom Dolan

Christina Dotson

Anne Duncan Cooley

Katy Easterly Martey

Eddie Edwards (D)

Laurie Foster (D)

Katja Fox

Sue Fulton

Senator James Gray

Mayor George Hansel

Kadyja Harris

Melissa Hatfield

Rebecca Hebert

Harrison Kanzler

Erin Kelly

Richard Lavers (D)

Robert Mack

Mayor Caroline McCarley

Deputy Adjutant General Warren Perry

Joshua Reap

Robert Rodler

Dominique Rust

Chris Santaniello

Stephanie Savard

Victoria Sheehan

Martha Stone

Andru Volinsky

Welcome and Roll-Call Attendance

Roll call attendance was taken and members stated their presence, where they were located, and whether there was anyone in the room with them during the meeting.

- 31 members or their designees attended, see above
- 25 members of the public attended

Review and approval of minutes

- Senator James Gray motioned to accept minutes from the March 23, 2021 meeting
- Dean Christon seconded the motion
 - Vote unanimous - motion carried and minutes were accepted as written

The Work of Outreach – Matt Bouchie

- See PowerPoint presentation (slides 5-13)
- Questions / Comments:
 - The added 12 months of aftercare is amazing and key to long term success
 - The City of Keene Human Services Department meets with the shelters & providers every other week to discuss client needs and coordinate service. We are also coordinating cleanup of encampments with non-profits but unfortunately, the majority of people are just moving to a different places in the woods and setting up a new camp. I am hoping the work of this council will help us create more permanent solutions.
 - Support Services for Veterans (call 211) and families and Harbor Care AKA Harbor Homes has housing openings GPD plus to assist in getting into an apartment and employment for Homeless/Endanger/Vash Veterans. Homeless Veterans Reintegration Grant. Contact Andrea Reed – Harbor Care phone # 603-459-9658 email address: a.reed@harborcarenh.org

Outline of June Report – Chris Santaniello

- See PowerPoint presentation (slides 14-16)
- No comments or questions

Survey and Stakeholder Session Highlights – Jamie Blackburn

- See PowerPoint presentation (slides 16-29)
- Questions / Comments:
 - 28 agencies indicated on the survey they would be interested in operating supportive housing with the proper funding and partners
 - Supportive housing is so needed. I know Manchester Housing has supportive services attached but we need more where the client can come in with issues such as addiction and get assistance and regular services vs. turned immediately away when initially testing positive for substance use. Group homes also

Work Group Reports

- Housing Instability and Homelessness System – Melissa Hatfield / Stephanie Savard
 - See PowerPoint presentation for update on State Plan on Homelessness (slides 31-36)
 - Income based housing with case management and supports with employment services added are much needed. Requirement to find even part time employment
 - See PowerPoint presentation for workgroup updates (slides 37-39)

- Data Analytics and Integration – Brian Gottlob / Heather McCann
 - See PowerPoint Presentation (slides 43-51)

- Planning and Regulation – Ben Frost / Noah Hodgetts / Alex Talcott
 - Discussion tabled until next meeting due to time constraints

- Regional Leadership and Coordination – Elizabeth Dragon / Martha Stone
 - Discussion tabled until next meeting due to time constraints
 - See PowerPoint Presentation (slide 41)

Next Steps – Katy Easterly Marty

- See PowerPoint presentation (slide 52)
- Katy asked the Council members to share three words that describe your situation in this process and the CHS strategy as it is starting to emerge.
 - Excited, collaborative, solutions
 - Complicated, organized, rewarding
 - Hopeful, overwhelmed, driven
 - Appearing on track
 - We need housing
 - Dedicate, engaged, creative
 - Workforce, housing inventory
 - So much engagement
 - Partnerships, gaps, solutions
 - Strategies to increase housing
 - Supportive housing needs
 - Optimistic,, focused, YOUTH
 - Incorporating rural input
 - Employment with housing
 - Effective, solution-focused, engaged

- Complex, collaborative, opportunities
- Workforce pathway supports
- Availability, collaboration, families
- Hopeful, education, complex
- Comprehensive collegial ambitious
- Listening, understanding, opportunities
- Learning, need, hopeful
- Complex, partnership, hopeful
- Advancement, community, understanding
- Focused, inspiring, based in learning

Public Comments

- No public comments

Next meeting / Meeting Adjournment

- Next meetings scheduled:
 - May 4, 2021 from 2:30PM – 4PM
 - May 18, 2021 from 10:00AM – 11:30AM
 - June 22, 2021 from 2:30PM – 4PM
- Meeting adjourned

Minutes submitted by Maureen DiTomaso