

Jackson Housing Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Town Office Building, 54 Main Street, Jackson, NH

Attendees:

- Chair: Scott Badger
- Vice Chair: Nico Dubois
- Secretary: Jake McCambley (Alternate)
- Commissioner: Ken Carpenter
- Commissioner: Jonathan Lagare (Alternate)
- Additional Participants: Sara Butterfield (Director of Operations - MWVHC)

Absent:

All members present

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Scott Badger at 6:05 PM.

2. Introductions of Commission Members

Each commission member introduced themselves, sharing a brief background and their expectations from their tenure on the commission. Sara introduced herself as the Operations Director from Mount Washington Valley Housing Coalition, and discussed the structure and mission of the organization.

3. Public Comment

Nico expressed, on behalf of a community member name Rheagan, concerns about large corporations like Black Rock acquiring homes in the community.

4. Review of the Scope and Expectation for the Commission

- Ken emphasized the need to sell the idea of housing development to the community.
- Nico stressed the importance of community involvement in these meetings as well as the long term goal of enabling community members to bridge the gap between renting and owning homes.

- Scott highlighted the focus on developing family housing that the community can afford and the need for job creation.
- Sara suggested organizing a charette to illustrate potential housing solutions.
- A broader discussion about perceptions of short term rentals, attempted solutions to provide housing by employers such as the Red Fox, zoning issues, the unique nature of Jackson as a tourist destination, National Forest land, and resources available to the commission and town as a whole.

5. Develop 'Rules of Procedure'

The commission discussed but did not finalize the rules of procedure in this meeting. The commission planned to discuss and finalize proposed rules of procedure at the next meeting.

6. Election of Officers

Elections were held for the roles of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and other necessary positions. The results were:

- Scott Badger was elected as Chair.
- Nico was elected as Vice Chair.
- Jake McCambley was confirmed as Secretary.

7. Determine Frequency of Meetings and Set Meeting Schedule

The commission agreed on the frequency of meetings and set the schedule for the upcoming year. Meetings will be held:

- Every third Tuesday at 6:00 PM.

8. Motion to Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made by Scott, seconded by Ken, and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Action Items:

1. Jake McCambley to distribute the minutes to all members.
2. All members are to bring ideas for the "different directions" homework, including inviting potential developers, property acquisition strategies, and creating an inventory of properties in disrepair for the next meeting.
3. Members are to prepare to discuss their goals more concretely at the next meeting.