

**Town of La Pointe  
Affordable Housing Advisory Committee  
Tuesday September 13, 2022  
9:00 am at Town Hall/Zoom  
Minutes**

Members present: Katie Sanders, Chair, Jim Peters, Jane Vogt, Ken Myhre, Charlie Bertel, Mark Pass, Lauren Schuppe, Robert Kramer, Cedar Schimke and Marie Iannazzo  
Members absent: Lisa Sill  
Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator  
Public present: Rachel Rosen  
Jeff Washburne, City of Lakes Community Land Trust

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) meeting was called to order by Katie Sanders, Chair.

**2. Public Comment**

Rachel Rosen has submitted an application to serve on this committee and gave a quick introduction.

**3. Elect Chair and Vice-Chair**

Motion by Jim to re-elect Katie Sanders as Chair, seconded by Charlie. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Lauren to elect Marie Iannazzo as Vice-Chair, seconded by Jane. All ayes. Motion Carried.

**4. Minutes of the following meetings to be considered for approval:**

**A. August 9, 2022**

Motion by Jim to approve the above minutes, seconded by Charlie, all ayes. Motion Carried.

**5. Guest Jeff Washburne, Executive Director City of Lakes Community Land Trust**

Jeff gave a background of their land trust and a big picture overview of the type of land trusts and programs they offer in the Twin Cities area. Most of their holdings are single-family locations initiated by buyer, or through debt assistance to existing homeowners. Homeowners obtain conventional mortgage; trust holds land to maintain long-term affordability. Owner receives 25% of equity increase upon sale.

Jeff suggested finding a regional land trust in northern WI to work with; thinks a trust needs a critical mass of 25 units to be viable. Thought affordable rentals, or recoverable loan or shared appreciation programs for ownership, would be good ways to start.

Jeff stated they are hosting a conference for regional land trusts in Minneapolis Sept. 26-28; conference is sold out but he will keep us informed.

Michael will ask communities participating in the WHEDA program if they are interested in a regional land trust.

Lauren and Jane will work on a resource directory for island homeowners/renters.

Jim mentioned the planned unit development restriction on 3 acres in current zoning ordinance.

**6. Reports and updates**

**A. Results of last town board meeting request**

**1. Next steps to consider**

Katie said the request sent to the Town Board did not turn out the way we hoped. Michael stated the positive is that the Town Board did define 1 parcel they would consider using for affordable housing.

**B. WHEDA update**

None

**C. Grant updates**

None. Jim asked about what funds we have available. Michael estimated \$14,000 - \$15,000.

**D. Property updates**

Mark will continue a conversation with a property owner he spoke with earlier. No updates on Hartzell property, not off the table.

**E. Partnership updates**

Discussion on Mosswood micro-units in Bayfield.

**F. Comprehensive Plan**

Steering committee is waiting on final data from Northland College, should have information at the meeting.

**7. Upcoming: RFP candidate to meet with committee members on 9/16/22 @ 10 am**

A potential candidate will be on the island Friday and asked to meet with committee members to get insight on the island.

**8. Recommendations to Town Board**

**9. Public Comment**

**10. Set Next Meeting Agenda and Date**

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday October 11, 2022, 1 pm at Town Hall/Zoom

**11. Adjourn**

Motion by Charlie to adjourn, seconded by Ken, all ayes.

Minutes taken from recording and submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant  
Minutes approved as presented 11/22/22.