

GNCOC Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes

September 20, 2006

Harbor Homes, Inc., 45 High Street

PRESENT: Lori Wilshire, Nashua Children's Home, Chair
Wendy Furnari, HIV Task Force
Linda Jeynes, Urban Programs
Lisa Christie, Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter
Sandra Hurd, Keystone Hall
Mariellen Durso, Nashua Area Health Center
Bob Mack, Nashua Welfare Department
Donnalee Lozeau, Southern New Hampshire Services
Klaas Nijhuis, Harbor Homes, Inc.

L. Wilshire opened the meeting at 8:07 am and asked everyone to review the minutes from the August 16th meeting. W. Furnari motioned to accept the minutes, K. Nihuis seconded, and the motion carried.

Wilshire announced that a slate of officers for 2007-08 needs to be developed for election by the GNCOC at their October meeting. It was agreed to nominate L. Wilshire to be President and W. Furnari to be Vice-President. A special meeting will be called to redistribute some of the President's workload to the Vice President to even out the distribution work. Discussion ensued about the Clerk's term of office expiring this year and the need to find a replacement. D. Lozeau motioned to defer elections until the December meeting in order to have time to find another Clerk. All committee members were tasked with this homework assignment.

D. Lozeau handed out copies of a "homeless resource contact list" which also included a list for emergency, after-hours contacts. After a short discussion, it was decided that the Ending Homelessness Committee would take this project up at their next meeting.

B. Mack (handout) reported on the Project Homeless Connect. It will be organized similar to last year's and will try to do more outreach this year as well as provide more on-site services such as; eye exams, massage therapy, food stamp application, hair cuts, health services, etc. The organizing committee will be meeting again September 28th.

K. Nijhuis will present the recognition gift to Paul Newman at the next GNCOC meeting on October 4th.

Other items that were discussed: Storing of records for COC related business could be stored at Harbor Homes. All items need to be brought to the High Street Facility. The website needs to be updated and Miles hasn't had time. K. Nijhuis will try to do some of it in the next few weeks. S. Hurd said the Community Relations Committee is trying to put together a 5-minute Power Point presentation and they would like someone familiar

with that software to help them. Other items on Agenda were tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 am.

Upcoming Meetings:

Legislative Affairs Committee – September 25, 2006, 10:00 am, Harbor Homes

GNCOC Meeting – October 4, 2006, 8:00 am, City Hall Auditorium

Ending Homelessness Committee – October 4, 2006, 9:00 am, City Hall Room 208

Community Relations Committee – TBA

GAPS – TBA

Executive Committee – October 18, 2006, 8:00 am, Harbor Homes

Rapid Re-housing – November 2, 2006, 2:00 pm, Harbor Homes

Homeless Providers Conference, September 26, 2006, Concord

Affordable Housing Strategies, September 27, 2006, HUD Manchester