

GNCOC Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes

May 3, 2007

Harbor Homes, Inc., 45 High Street

Present: Lori Wilshire, Nashua Children's Home, Chair
Wendy Furnari, HIV Task Force
Sister Sharon Walsh, Marguerite's Place
Bob Mack, Nashua Welfare Department
Lisa Christie, Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter
Linda Jeynes, Urban Programs
Mariellen Durso, Nashua Area Health Center
Mary Auer, Harbor Homes, Inc.
Kim Berube, Harbor Homes, Inc., Clerk
Klaas Nijhuis, Harbor Homes, Inc.-joined via conference call

Minutes:

L. Wilshire opened the meeting at 8:05am and asked everyone to review the minutes from the April 18, 2007 meeting. B. Mack indicated he would like the recognition that W. Furnari made on page two be printed without the bold lettering. L. Christie motioned to accept the minutes with corrections. W. Furnari seconded the motion and the motion carried.

M. Auer announced that Peter Kelleher has requested she attend the Executive Committee Meetings as a representative for Keystone Hall.

Work Session:

- SuperNOFA:

Chart N:

M. Auer handed out charts for the committee to review.

B. Mack indicated that the objectives were pulled from last years SuperNOFA. M Auer mentioned that the State would like agencies to maintain or increase their baseline numbers.

K. Nijhuis indicated the baseline or current level of beds is 203. W. Furnari questioned if this amount included the additional 6 for HOPWA. K. Nijhuis replied that the baseline amount was figured from January, 2007 and that the HOPWA beds would have been included in that amount.

K. Nijhuis explained the Samaritan initiative and all new projects will have a goal of maintaining 6 month occupancy.

B. Mack made reference to the example on number 2. He indicated that Southern NH Services has the largest employment service program. M. Auer indicated that diversity is best and having more than one agency listed may be good.

The committee agreed that numbers 2, 3 & 4 are not just for the chronically homeless.

S. Walsh indicated that her name should be listed on number 3 under support efforts.

M. Auer mentioned that each program will need to be able to measure what they do. B. Mack indicated the figures will come from the HMIS reports.

M. Auer suggested that the agencies be contacted quarterly to insure they are maintaining. K. Nijhuis mentioned the Executive Committee will accurately monitor progress.

B. Mack indicated that HMIS needs to be mentioned for utilizing data. The committee agreed on the following: Utilize data through HMIS to monitor or measure action plan compliance.

B. Mack mentioned that CSC-HMIS can get the data from each agency. He also indicated that number 4, increase referrals to employment should be Southern NH Services and Donnalee should be contacted.

L. Christie followed up on the Barrier Statement after number 5 and requested that it state, Concern about lack of resources, diminishing Section 8 funding, and critical shortage of affordable housing may make goals impossible to sustain or achieve.

Chart P:

K. Nijhuis reviewed Chart P. The only question that arose was on number 2e, K. Nijhuis stated the number of jurisdictions within the COC geography that have formally implemented a 10-year plan(s) is 3 (Nashua, Hollis and Merrimack).

Chart U:

K. Nijhuis indicated he will review the Shelter Plus Care Program to see if the beds in that program should be included in number 1.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am

Minutes Prepared by Kim Berube, Harbor Homes, Inc.