

Ending Homelessness Committee
Minutes of 2/4/09 meeting
Nashua City Hall

Present at the meeting were: Bob Mack, Wendy Furnari, Barry LeBlanc, Jessica Karwatske, Joan Koliss, Tony Epaphras, Eileen Brady, Kathryn Paquette, Laurie Goodman, Ken Lewis, Katie Merrill, Jerry LeClerc, Emily Manire

The meeting began at 9:16am with introductions

Review of minutes from the 1/09 meeting; W. Furnari made a motion to accept, T. Epaphras seconded the motion.

Bob Mack displayed a copy of the updated 10 Year Plan and highlighted some accomplishments. E. Brady noted that many other communities are looking to the Nashua CoC's 10 Year Plan as a model for developing their own.

B. Mack mentioned that at the January meeting, a discussion took place re: how we can enhance agency/Landlord relations. Discussion again took place about how we can do some outreach to Landlord associations, etc.

K. Paquette mentioned that she knows some clients whose LLDs are their Rep Payees; questions were raised regarding what happens if the LLD and tenant have a disagreement or their friendship fails, then what happens to the tenant's money? There are many challenges and liabilities that can arise from this.

B. Mack stated that he has seen some clients sign their Soc. Sec. checks over to the LLD.

Discussion ensued re: LLDs not properly screening tenants, then issuing Demand For Rent or Eviction Notices within a few weeks of the tenant moving in.

E. Brady noted that LLDs are an integral group that should be advocating for subsidized and affordable housing.

B. LeBlanc stated that the NHHFA has a list of affordable housing units by town on their website; also they have applications for project based housing vouchers.

Discussion took place about the Care Center's HSGP security deposit loan.

B. LeBlanc said he would try to get a list of LLD trade organizations so we can do some outreach.

10:05 Meeting adjourned

Minutes prepared by Jessica Karwatske