

Committee on Ending Homelessness Meeting
Minutes of the September 8, 2004
(Room 208 City Hall)

Present at the meeting were: Mary Auer, Eileen Brady, Maria Brown, Lisa Christie, Linda Jeynes, Peter Kelleher, Bob Mack, Klaas Nijhuis, Miles Pendry, and Germano Martins.

K. Nijhuis called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The minutes from the August 4th meeting were reviewed; P. Kelleher motioned to accept, L. Christie seconded and the motion carried.

Update on Plan Unveiling:

K. Nijhuis gave a brief update on the schedule and speakers for the unveiling scheduled for September 17th at Greeley Park. K. Nijhuis will deliver the opening remarks since L. Christie will be unavailable that day, and he will be responsible for introducing each of the invited speakers. He will include the history of the local planning to end homelessness and give credit to previous funders of the CoC's events toward ending homelessness.

The invited speakers will speak in the following order agreed upon by this committee: Ignatius Maclellen from FannieMae, State Interagency Council, Mayor Bernie A. Streeter of Nashua who will read a proclamation, Governor Craig Benson of NH, Philip Mangano from the Interagency Council on Homelessness in Washington, and Laurie Skibba of Greater Nashua Interfaith Hospitality Network will be asked to give the closing remarks and read off the list of signed Good Neighbor Agreements to date and invite more to sign them.

K. Nijhuis said that invitations had been sent out to all legislators and every filled candidate in the Greater Nashua area. A discussion ensued regarding having politicians speak/campaign at this event. It was agreed to only have the invited speakers talk and to limit them to about five minutes each in order to keep this event a short press conference.

Edits to Plan:

K. Nijhuis said he had received a request from John O'Brien to edit the plan in one paragraph under the Executive Summary section. (Copies were handed out) The committee agreed to incorporate these revisions into the text of the plan which would then be posted on the CoC website along with their policy on edits. K. Nijhuis will also e-mail this revision to the committee members.

The next meeting will be October 6, 2004 at 9:00 am in room 208 of the Nashua City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am