

FINAL

**LEBANON HOUSING TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Council Chambers, City Hall
SEPTEMBER 25, 2024
11:00AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ryan Dube, Susan Almay, John D'Entremont, Andrew Faunce, Tia Winter, Ellen Ahern, Tracy Hutchins, and Tim McNamara

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Duncan

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Reichert, and Catheryn Hembree

GUESTS: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

Staff Catheryn Hembree called the meeting to order at 11:00AM. Mr. Reichert and Ms. Hembree gave a summary of the tasks of the Housing Task Force. The group talked about housing challenges in the community and realities that they have to work with while trying to create more housing and maintaining the diversity and high quality of life that is in Lebanon. Ms. Winter suggested starting a more tangible project as well as working on a future plan, such as a Rental Ordinance.

2. New Business

Introductions

The Lebanon Housing Task Force and Staff went around and introduced themselves and their relationship to housing and the taskforce. Some shared their housing stories. Due to timing, others will share during the upcoming meetings.

Organizational Set-up

After discussions the Lebanon Housing Task Force decided to hold their monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month at 8:15 AM at City Hall.

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

A MOTION was made by Tia Winter to appoint Tim McNamara as Chair of the Lebanon Housing Task Force. The Motion was seconded by Tracy Hutchins. The vote on the MOTION passed (7-0-1). Chair McNamara abstained.

A MOTION was made by Tim McNamara to appoint Andrew Faunce as Vice-Chair of the Lebanon Housing Task Force. The Motion was seconded by Tia Winter. The vote on the MOTION passed (7-0-1). Vice-Chair Faunce abstained.

Housing Opportunity Planning Grant

Staff went over the HOP grant and stated that hopefully, Lebanon will be awarded \$100,000 to hire a consultant to perform a Housing and Market Analysis and help write the new Housing Chapter of the Master Plan/Housing Plan for Lebanon. The City will hear about the award outcome in November. As part of the grant, the City is required to participate in a NH Housing Academy. Ms. Hembree is attending. Ms. Ahern, Mr. Dube, and Ms. Winter volunteered to attend as well. Mr. Faunce and Mr. D'Entremont stated they would like to participate in the virtual sessions. Mr. McNamara asked about the possibility of Lebanon hosting a site visit session. Ms. Hembree will follow up with Invest NH and UNH about that possibility.

4. Open to the Public

No members of the public were present.

5. Future Agenda Items

Staff stated it would be useful to go over current housing regulations the City has in place. Also, plan to finish up housing stories of those who wish to do so.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Catheryn Hembree, AICP