



TENNESSEE STATEWIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COALITION MEETING

December 2, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Steve Baldwin	The City of Johnson City
Kay Bowers	Community Housing Developers Assoc of TN
Bill Dirl	HUD – Nashville Office
Cathie Dodd	Woodbine Community Organization
Colleen Dudley	Habitat for Humanity of Tennessee
Jessica LeVeon Farr	Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
Ted Fellman	THDA
Carla Jarrell	Pinnacle Financial Partners
Marla Jackson	Tennessee Manufactured Housing Association
Paul Johnson	The Housing Fund
Peggy Krebs	Home Builders Association of Middle TN
Eddie Latimer	Affordable Housing Resources
Bill Lord	Murfreesboro Housing Authority
Retha Patton	Eastern Eight CDC
Lorrie Shearon	THDA
Patricia M. Smith	THDA

Other guests in attendance were several THDA staff members.

Retha Patton opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and making introductions

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Bill Lord and seconded by Steve Baldwin to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2009 meeting. Minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER UPDATES

Governor's Housing Summit: Patricia Smith reported the Summit went very well. The bus tour at the end of the day was not well attended, so for future planning it will be part of a session. The on-line registration went well. Kay Bowers asked for a breakdown of the participants (non-profits, realtors, etc.) Ted Fellman gave a brief

report on the participant breakdown. Future target was discussed. The consensus of the group is they like the tour, recommended tour takes place prior to Summit and some members expressed the time of year is bad for them.

Legislative Committee: Steve Baldwin reported on the State Housing Trust Fund. Day on the Hill (co-sponsored by Coalition, TAHRA and Habitat) is scheduled for February 16-17, 2010, and the Coalition has the opportunity to educate legislators. Retha urged Coalition participation in DOTH event. Marla will forward to the coalition members the Manufactured Homes Legislative Committee Agenda. Retha asked any item related to the Legislative agendas be sent to Steve so the information can be shared and members can support each other's meetings and agendas.

Education: Colleen Dudley noted the update on the Lead-Based Paint regulations for all rehabilitation work (homes built prior to 1978). Train the Trainer Supervision training is required. Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation is hosting a training session at Montgomery Bell State Park January 20-22. The deadline is April 22, 2010, to comply with the required training.

The storm water guidelines were discussed and it was noted that federal regulations are affecting site plans and build at all phases.

Steve will check with the Johnson City Public Works Director and report back to the Coalition regarding training and regulation deadlines.

Retha asked about the training on the new sprinkler laws and regulations to research. Peggy Krebs answered that there is nothing to do yet. Regulations are four to six years in the future. It will be required and will have to be adopted.

Colleen agreed to check local codes. Also the energy bill was discussed.

Organization and Structure: Marla Jackson referred to the handout titled TSAHC Membership/Organizational Task force. She suggested Chairman Retha Patton select members for an Election Committee.

Retha asked about the seventeen sectors to be represented and associated roles were discussed.

Ted noted the Coalition needs to be diverse to become an influencer, and there needs to be a representative of all groups. Kay asked if there was a model in another state. Ted replied that North Carolina is the state THDA thinks has the sort of coalition that Tennessee might want to strive for.

Retha noted we are going to ask the Election Committee to submit nominations to set up the Executive Committee. The Election Committee will consist of: Don Alexander, Carla Jarrell, Colleen Dudley, Lorrie Shearon, Bill Dirl, Ken McKnight and Ralph Perry.

PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Angela Belcher, The Housing Fund, made a presentation on all facets of the Housing Development Academy and how it engages non-profit agencies. A handout was included. Paul added to the presentation by discussion of the grants application process

Ms. Christa Durfee, Data Research & Handling presented Tennessee Employer Consortium and EAHF (Employer Assisted Housing Fund) the EAH benefit network. A handout was included.

DISCUSSIONS

Jessica Farr spoke on the free tax assistance programs.

DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, March 03, 2010, 11:00 - 1:00 (central time) at the offices of THDA.

HANDOUTS

- TSAHC Membership/Organizational Task force Presentation – Marla Jackson, Fleetwood Homes
- The Housing Development Academy – Angela Belcher, The Housing Fund
- TEC and EAHF (Employer Assisted Housing Fund) – Christa Durfee, Data Research & Handling