

Concord Housing Commission Minutes
April 20, 2010
8:00 AM Chamber of Commerce

Present: R. Heard, T. Bernier, A. Grady, J. Madden, C. Nadeau, B. Perkins, D. Worster
Staff Support: T. Sink

Rosemary welcomed new commission member Amanda Grady who will replace Doug Black as City Council representative.

The March minutes were approved.

Tim Bernier gave a report on the public meeting on the re write of the zoning ordinance. Some general comments included:

- The current process is too complicated
- Big projects get through the planning process more easily than small projects
- Consider term limits for planning board members
- Cost added when legal representation is needed
- Problems with Architectural Design review process

Tim pointed to the Parmenter Road project, and how neighbors were unhappy with the development. They would have liked to have seen single family units, but the current regulations prohibited that, resulting in a much denser project.

The commission discussed input from groups like EDAC, Chamber Local Government Affairs, the Commission and others with an eye on where commonalities exist. All agreed that it is important to keep on top of the process so that our suggestions do not get lost.

Chris will contact Jeff Taylor and inquire into how the process goes forward from here. Either Jeff or Carlos Baia will be invited to our next meeting to discuss the process and determine how we will stay engaged. Rosemary will check in with Mayor Bouley and get his input on this subject.

Next meeting will be Tuesday May 18 at 8:00 at the Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Sink