

**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN
HOUSING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 18, 2010**

The **Black Mountain Housing Commission** held its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at 10:00 am** in the Town Hall at 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, N.C.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order with the follow members present:

Joanne Brannon, Chair
Connie Pruitt, Vice Chair
Jessie Sherrill
Dawn Wilson (arrived late)
Peter Vazquez

Absent:

Ellen Farrior, Secretary
Jeff Hunter
Dot Jones

Staff:

Elizabeth Teague, AICP, Planning Director
Darlene Whisenant, Town Clerk

There was not a quorum when the meeting opened at 10:00 a.m. It was established that a quorum of five (5) members of the Commission are needed to transact business. Chair Brannon opened the meeting for reports and discussions.

The Commission briefly discussed Rules of Procedure and the upcoming appointments for Housing Commission.

Ms. Teague reported that the completed Regional HOME Consortium's Consolidated Plan is now on the City of Asheville website under the Planning and Development Department. The Executive Summary of the Consolidated Strategic Housing Plan has to be completed every five for HUD (Housing Urban Development). The report contains summaries of some of the priorities and actions of the HOME Consortium as a result of the research over the past two years.

Ms. Teague talked about sustainability and land use choices. Some of the projects that Black Mountain is already working on projects through the Housing Commission include:

- Working with Asheville Transit and Mountain Mobility to provide more transportation choices;
- Fee rebate for builders who meet the Healthy Built Homes criteria for the WNC Green Building Council;
- Fee rebate on building permits for affordable housing;
- Decreased minimum lot size to allow more infill development;
- Working on initiatives to encourage entrepreneurial ventures;

- Supportive of development that does not inhibit mixed-use development and land recycling;
- Flexible zoning in the industrial areas.

Ms. Teague reported that the Town of Black Mountain partnered with the (SVCM) Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry to assist homeowners in the community with minor repairs. The SVCM is moving forward with the temporary homeless shelter project at the First Baptist Church.

Chair Brannon will be out of town and asked Vice Chair Pruitt to fill in for her at the Town Square Steering Committee workshop on June 2nd.

At this time, (10:36 a.m.) Dawn Wilson arrived and Chair Brannon declared a quorum present.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted by consensus.

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Dawn Wilson moved that the minutes of November 17, 2009, January 10, 2010, February 26, 2010, and March 16, 2010 be adopted. The Commission unanimously approved the motion. Connie Pruitt moved that the minutes of April 20, 2010 be adopted. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

VI. STAFF AND MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Elizabeth Teague reported that there are still Appeals pending on the CRC health Group Conditional Use Permit. The bank currently owns the property and Greybeard Realty has posted the property for sale.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 11:45 a.m.

Joanne Brannon, Chair

Ellen Farrior, Secretary

Darlene Whisenant, Town Clerk

Rosa B. Hilbert
Senior Administrative Assistant