

Moab Area Housing Task Force Meeting Minutes

Large Conference Room, Grand County Public Library

April 5, 2018

Chair Shik Han called the meeting to order at 11:01.

Minutes

Jazmine Duncan moves to approve the minutes from the March 1 meeting. L seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Open Items

City of Moab Update

- Downtown Plan open house event (April 4) went well, and the next will be in five weeks. The planners are on track to submit a draft plan to the City by mid-August.
- Planning is in the process of removing conditional use permits from the LUC and will start discussing a multi-family housing zoning option and updating subdivision regulations soon; PAD ordinance is temporarily on hold.
- Planning Commission is expanding from 5 to 7 members and will make 3 new appointments next week.
- City and County are moving into Phase 2 of the Assured Housing Study, which should take approximately 2 months.

Grand County Update

- Planning Commission is revisiting the High Density Development Overlay (HDDO) and is about to start the process of updating the Use Table of the LUC.
- San Juan County's Planning Commission forwarded a favorable recommendation to the County Commission for the Spanish Valley Area Plan; CC will vote on the plan on April 17.
- County Council just established a new budget advisory committee; Council will likely have a strategic planning retreat soon and could be a potential opportunity for HTF to advocate for housing allocation

Advocacy Committee Update

- Did not meet, but plans to look through Assured Housing Phase 1 results and bring an update at the next meeting.

Public Outreach Committee Update

- Jenna Whetzel submitted the first HTF column update to the T-I to be published on April 12.
- Claire Spalding has created a Mail Chimp account for the HTF and plans to send out the first newsletter next week. Kaitlin Myers plans to add a subscription button on the HTF website for those who are interested.

HTF 2018 Goals and Action Plan

- The HTF established four primary goals for 2018:
 - *Support the Moab Area Community Land Trust*
 - *Build capacity in public outreach efforts*

- *Build capacity in advocacy efforts*
- *Develop and report on subcommittee efforts, as needed.*
- Important points from discussion:
 - Public outreach goals – reach out to employers about employee housing opportunities, help HASU advertise “What’s for Rent Wednesday” weekly post, help City and County by playing a lead role in the conversation about assured housing efforts
 - Advocacy goals – produce and use an effective template letter for monthly letters to councils, add a monthly agenda line item to discuss items worthy of HTF letters of support

New Business

Community Organization Updates

- Moab Area Community Land Trust
 - HTF requests to add MACLT as a standing monthly update on future agendas
 - MACLT has been working on internal and background legwork primarily but will have some exciting updates in the near future.
 - HTF requests a presentation update from MACLT at the next meeting
- Housing Authority of Southeastern Utah
 - HASU is short funds for MAPS project by about \$350,000 in LIHTC money; is continuing through the engineering review process with the City, and the site plan will be submitted to the Council soon.
 - Suggestion from HTF: Ask City for Affordable Housing Fund money for MAPS gap financing
 - Ben is working on the sewer easement for the Wingate Village development.
- Community Rebuilds
 - Building three houses in Moab and one house in Bluff this fall; will be building a new campus for interns this summer.
- Grand County School District
 - SD plans to replace the middle school on the existing site; not sure what they will do with the Red Rock property yet, but not planning to sell it.
 - Hiring five certified teachers this year; working on increasing the salary schedule.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 3 at 11:00 in the Large Conference Room of the Grand County Public Library.

Draft Upcoming Agenda Items

1. Moab Area Community Land Trust will present an update
2. Matthew Starley will present his findings from the GeoDesign Workshop

Meeting adjourned at 11:59.