

RIDGEFIELD AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 25, 2025 at 7:00pm

Town Hall Small Conference Room
400 Main Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut

Please note: these minutes are not verbatim.

ATTENDEES: Present: Debra Franceschini-Gatje (Chair), Lori Mazzola (Vice Chair), Andrea Beebe, Kevin Brown, Sharon Coleman, Sheryl Knapp, Kent Rohrer, Tim Vilinskis

Absent: Krista Willett

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA

1. Public Comment-3 minutes per speaker
2. Approval of May 28th, 2025, meeting minutes
3. Housing Bill HB5002 Debrief
4. PNZ Public Forum Debrief on TOD session
5. Housing Trust Fund Update-Pending ordinance from legal-FYI only
6. 3 Halpin Lane update-No update-FYI only
7. Land inventory Database-State Grant-next steps
8. Public Comment-3 minutes per speaker
9. Adjourn

1. Public Comment: none

2. Discussion Items:

- a) Approval of May 28th, 2025, meeting minutes. *Kent moved to approve the minutes as written; Lori seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.*
- b) Discussed Housing Bill HB5002. The committee agreed to come to the next meeting prepared to provide feedback regarding the Bill.
- c) Debriefed on Branchville TOD project. The committee agreed to let Andrea and Tim come up with a draft note regarding the project that will be submitted to PNZ.
- d) Housing Trust Fund Update-Pending ordinance from legal-FYI only
- e) 3 Halpin Lane update – Letter sent to Ability Beyond; will follow up with Rudy to see if there has been any response.
- f) Land inventory Database – State Grant. Debra to contact WESCOG to see if they can still do the inventory collection of properties.

3. Public Comment: none

4. Next meeting: The next Regular meeting is scheduled for July 23rd. There will be no August meeting due to summer recess.

5. Adjournment: *Sheryl moved to adjourn;* Kevin seconded, and the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Prepared by Sheryl Knapp, Secretary