

Manufactured Homes Commission

Minutes of the Tuesday April 16, 2019

Chicopee Public Library

Quarterly Meeting

- **Call to order at 10:30am**

In Attendance: Sandra Overlock, Sherri Sore, Kathy Zorotheos, Tracy Sharkey
Ex. Officio: Daniel Less, Esq. from AG Office, Chris Jee, Esq. from DHCD

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION**

- **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Dan Less reviewed the four statewide trainings with local Board of Health's. He reported that attendance was good at the training(s), with the last one to be held soon. The trainings were held in Devon's, Hyannis Westwood and soon in Hadley. Discussions include oil tanks vs. natural gas, pets, fees fines, guests and rule compliance.
2. AG Less briefly discussed a letter sent by PM IN Morgan Park. Because the case is in the courts the AG Office cannot offer an opinion.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Mr. Less announced that in May there will be a three-day training for Housing Court Specialists that will included on the agenda Manufactured Homes/Parks
2. AG Office needs more attorneys to be housing mediators. Best example of good "action" is the South Coastal Legal Services & the S.E. Tenants Preservation Association.
3. Housing Court has statewide jurisdiction and the AG Office will be on their agenda about training. Receiverships are used when property is in disrepair and the Court has authority to oversee getting things done to make the property habitable, otherwise a lien can be placed on the property

- **PUBLIC FORUM**

1. Michael McGuigan from Lake Onota Village asked about adding a deck to his home. This is something that is done through the town building permit office.
2. Linda Salonda from Brookfield Meadows Park, that the issues that were brought before the Board of Health were about dumpsters & general nuisance orders and the BoH has not moved forward. Mr. Less will check for rules and regulations from Town Farm realty which owes the park.

Also brought up was that cannabis smoking was very strong and the neighbors were upset. The police need to be called about the situation as it is a nuisance and a violation notice could be issued.

3. Senator Pacheco's Senate bill 815 or 2373 H1276 is again being reviewed
4. Reminder that ROC will assist home owners becoming co-ops

- Reminder that the July meeting is at the Plymouth Center for Active Living (formally the Council on Aging) which is on the Plymouth North High School campus.

- **ADJOURNED at 10:15 AM**