

Manufactured Homes Commission
Minutes of the Tuesday Jan. 19, 2021
Mass. Highway's District 5 Office
1000 County Street, Taunton Ma. 02780
January 19, 2021 10:30am-12:30pm
Virtual because of Covid-19

CALL TO ORDER: 10:30 a.m.

In Attendance: Sandy Overlock, Jeff Hallahan, Kathy Zorotheos, Tracy Sharkey, Ethan Mascoop, Chris Jee & Ryan Ambrose Esq. from DHCD, Dan Less, Esq. from AG office

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve April 2020 minutes by Ethan Mascoop

Second by: Jeff Hallahan

OLD BUSINESS:

The commission wants to develop an updated list of Manufactured Communities, the address, the number of lots, email addresses of the Board of Health that are responsible for each community. Because of the Covid19 pandemic, Ethan has had difficulty acquiring information on manufactured home communities and Boards of Health. Communities are overwhelmed. and rather be concentrating on vaccines. Dan Less has acquired a non-legal intern that will start this project over the summer. Jeff Hallahan will forward any information he has for his area to Ethan.

NEW BUSINESS

The Massachusetts Supreme court ruled on Blake's case on Nov. 24, 2020. The case concerns. different rents being charged to new residents in a similar class in manufactured home. communities, that should have been charged uniformly. New residents should be charged same amount of rent as older residents if lot, amenities, and services are the same.

Future Commission meeting will be held virtually until further notice due to Covid19.

Annual Report 2020 has been turned in to Ryan Ambrose Esq. at DHCD. Ryan will submit. Commission Agendas and Meeting Minutes to the State House. Ryan will also send to House & Senate Ways & Means Committee if necessary.

OPEN FORUM

Terri Collins from MFM Board and Pine Hill Estates wanted to know that if HUD general. contract installers need to have training classes for installing manufactured homes, why not for construction. contractors who also work on the home. Do they have to get certified? Tracy Sharkey recommended that she visit the "HUD" website.

Cynthia Lennon asked if Dan Less had any contact information. Dan Less offered 617-963-2460 for the Attorney General's office if anyone has any questions. State your question and someone will return your call within 48 hours.

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 11:29: Tracy Sharkey
Second: Jeff Hallahan
All in favor: Unanimous meeting adjourned.