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Board of Selectmen
Welfare Sub-Committee
Simsbury Town Offices-Room 103
Special Meeting
March 31, 2009
8:00 a.m.

Call To Order

A special meeting of the Welfare Sub-Committee of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on March 31, 2009. Mary Glassman, Moira Wertheimer and Richard Hogan were present. Moira Wertheimer served as Chairman. The following staff was also present: Mickey Lecours-Beck, Tom Roy and Brandon Robertson.

Approve May 27, 2008 Special Meeting Minutes

Chairman Wertheimer made a motion to approve the May 27, 2008 special meeting minutes. Richard Hogan seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was adopted.

Report from Director of Public Works regarding inspections of properties and operating costs

Director of Public Works, Tom Roy, provided a brief overview of his assessment of the properties and related operating costs. There was discussion regarding requesting that the tenant at 60 C Old Farms Road be asked to move across the street to 60 D. It was determined that the property at 60 D would better meet the tenant's needs.

Review, discuss and possibly take action regarding tenant selection for vacant town properties

It was noted that the Town currently has two vacant residential rental properties. These properties are located at 71 Wolcott Road and 15 Sugar Loaf Cut. It was noted that the Town re-advertised the property located at 15 Sugar Loaf Cut after receiving very few applications.

The Social Services Director received the criteria used for filling these vacancies. She noted that, based on these criteria, she has identified a total of nine applicants that qualify for the housing.

Following discussion the Sub-Committee directed staff to perform due diligence, including appropriate criminal and credit checks, on the top three candidates that have been identified as meeting the Town's guidelines.

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Review, discuss and possibly take action regarding rental rates for FY 2009-2010

The sub-committee discussed rental rates for FY 2010. Mickey Lecours-Beck recommended that rates not be increased. Following discussion, the sub-committee determined that the monthly rate for 69 Wolcott Road would remain the same. It was determined that if the tenant at 60 C moved to 60 D, the rent would remain the same. It was noted that the rent at Sugar Loaf Cut has been the same as the rent for the properties located on Wolcott Road.

Report from Director of Social Services Regarding Free Bed Funds

The Social Services Director provided an update regarding the regarding the Free Bed Funds. Ms. Lecours-Beck indicated that all possible steps are taken to advertise the availability of these funds.

Respectfully Submitted,