

San Juan County Housing Advisory Committee (HAC)  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 14, 2024  
Hybrid Meeting  
Meeting was conducted in-person at the Legislative Hearing Room  
and via phone conference (Microsoft Teams)

**MINUTES**

In attendance: Anne Bertino; Sandy Bishop; Nancy DeVaux; Farhad Ghatan, chair; Melora Hiller; Steve Ulvi, George Zweibel

Staff: Ryan Page; Lori LeCount (in-person at Legislative Hearing Room)

Council Liaison: Christine Minney (not present)

Guests: Stephanie O'Day, Lisa Beyers, Amanda Lynn, Karl Eberhard

Absent: none

I. Meeting called to order at 10:33 am – Farhad

II. **Approval of Minutes –July 10, 2024**

**Motion: Sandy**

**Second: George**

**Approved as presented: Unanimous.**

III. Announcements/Public Comments: None from the public at large.

Housing Program Coordinator Updates: Ryan Page

- a. Council approved Argyle lot lease.
- b. Home trust prevailed with Hearing Examiner on the Holliwalk issue.
- c. Discussion of process with Town of Friday Harbor ongoing.
- d. Ryan visited Lopez last week to meet new Housing Lopez director and see projects underway.
- e. No real update re changes in the DCD Planning Department.

IV. Home Fund Applicant Presentations

- a. OPAL Community Land Trust, presentation by Lisa Byers. Ask is for \$540,000 to pay down purchase loan and assessment of existing buildings. The project will focus on providing support for low/very low/ homeless persons.
- b. San Juan Community Home Trust, presentation by Amanda Lynn. Ask is for \$714,850 for construction costs related to 40 rental units, ½ for low income and ½ for moderate income persons. The project will focus on workforce housing.
- c. Lopez Community Land Trust, presentation by Sandy Bishop. Ask is for \$180,000 to complete construction of a single home on a one-acre parcel, serving a household up to 115% of AMI. Discussion of using housing interns in the process.

Ryan will send out scoring sheets for the applications next week. Ryan would like any additional questions by August 23<sup>rd</sup>, he will forward them to the applicants.

- V. Proposed Questions for San Juan County Council Candidates: Sandy Bishop and George Zweibel drafted questions. There was discussion and refinement of questions. Sandy and George are seeking authorization to finalize them, then send to Farhad to send to candidates, and then for Farhad to disseminate the answers received. Authorization provided.
- VI. New Initiatives Subcommittee Update: George Zweibel reported that they are seeking additional community members for the subcommittee, Lily Goldberg, Joshua Johns and Sarah McCulloch.
- VII. Home Fund Services NOFA, draft was provided to group. Plan to discuss and finalize in September.
- VIII. Closing Remarks: None
- IX. Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday September 11th, 2024
- X. Adjourn 12:31