

Minutes Ad Hoc Committee on Rental Regulations

September 14, 2016

1. **Members Present:** Chairperson T. Moran called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm, B. Ryan, M. Sargent arrived 5:50, C. Ausburger left 6:30,
2. **Other Council Members Present:** V. Raymond, B. Shaiken, P. Shapiro arrived 6:10
3. **Staff Present:** M. Ninteau, J. Mullen, L. Painter, M. Hart, R. Cournoyer
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Tabled lack of quorum
5. **Public Comment:** D. Freudmann 22 Eastwood Rd. asked the committee to consider revoking the entire Off Street Parking ordinance. He believes the ordinance is unfair as it treats tenants differently than owner occupants.
6. **Committee Member Reports:** Chairperson Moran reported that the Town Council had referred the proposed fee changes in the Housing ordinance to an Ad Hoc committee for discussion and review. That committee is comprised of Councilors Keane, Marcelino and Moran.
7. **Staff Reports:** M. Ninteau explained that staffing levels were increased and site inspections for overcrowding, blight and parking had resumed. He also stated that the Housing department had begun to enforce the changes to various ordinance as approved by the Town Council and that photography is legal from any place an officer is allowed to be within the confines of the law. J. Mullen spoke briefly regarding her role in enforcement of regulations. L. Painter discussed staffs suggestions regarding the committee's possible interest in sending a mailing to all property owners regarding rental regulations. Staff is to provide samples for the committees review at their next meeting. M. Hart distributed a memorandum (attached) stating various neighborhood initiatives for discussion purposes. R. Cournoyer gave an oral presentation explaining the various law enforcement and educational activities his department conducts in concert with various colleagues from both the Town and UConn.
8. **Future Discussion Topics:** The following topics were flagged for future discussion:
 - Present copies of the packet sent to new landlords for committee review
 - Provide draft letter or postcard to be sent to all residential property owners explaining rental and occupancy requirements for review
 - Invite representatives from UConn Greek life and sports teams to provide a forum for dialogue regarding neighborhood issues
9. **Adjournment:** By unanimous consent 7:00 (lack of quorum)

Respectfully submitted.

Mike Ninteau, Director of Building & Housing Inspection