

TC CoH Housing Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 20, 2021
A-TCAA Sonora Service Center



Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Rick called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jaron Brandon, Joe Bors, LeeAnn Hatton, Rick Breeze-Martin, Tom Crosby

Absent: Colette Such

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Not Applicable (1st Committee meeting)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick noted that there were no public members in attendance

V. REPORTS

Officers: (not applicable, see item a under new business below)

AD-HOC COMMITTEES

None (1st meeting, no Ad Hoc Committees established)

VI. SPEAKERS

a) Discussion and possible action on creating a list of potential future speakers

The Committee brainstormed and briefly discussed the following initial list of speakers / research sources, which is to be further considered at the next meeting.

- Rebecca Espino, TC HHS
- Quincy Yaley, TC CDD
- TC Housing Committee
- Mary Rose Rutikanga, City of Sonora
- Continuum of Care (CA 526)
- CNVC
- Habitat for Humanities
- Resiliency Village
- CSAC / RCAC
- Greg Popovich
- Adam Wilson
- Silver Spur

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None (1st meeting)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

a) Committee organization:

- Discussion and selection of Officers (e.g. Chair, Vice-Chair)

Tom moved to nominate Rick for Chair, Joe Bors seconded. Rick asked for other nominations, there were none. The Committee voted on the motion: Rick was selected Chair unanimously

Rick moved to nominate Tom for Vice-Chair, Joe Bors seconded. Rick asked for other nominations, there were none. The Committee voted on the motion: Tom was selected Vice-Chair unanimously

- Discussion and approval of the regular Committee meeting date and time

The Committee discussed its regular meeting time and decided by consensus to meet every third Thursday of the month from 1 to 3 pm.

- Discussion and approval of regular meeting location

The Committee discussed its regular meeting location and decided by consensus to meet at the ATCAA Sonora offices meeting space, also decided by consensus was that Chicken Ranch Tribal Administration will provide backup meeting space if needed.

b) Committee support procedures: Discussion for action regarding Committee procedures

- Agendas & agenda packets: to be done by the Committee Chair, in consultation with Vice-chair. After brief discussion the Committee agreed by consensus that the Chair will do the agendas and agenda packets in consultation with the Vice Chair. Also discussed and agreed to by consensus, is that a draft agenda will be emailed to Committee members for feedback/input before the final agenda is made available to HHS staff to post. Rick is to confirm with Counsel that this agenda procedure is Brown Act compliant.

- Meeting Minutes: to be done by Committee Vice-chair, in consultation with the Chair. After brief discussion the Committee agreed by consensus that the Vice-Chair will do the meeting minutes in consultation with the Chair.

- Post meeting agenda packets: agenda to be provided by chair and posted by HHS staff on TC system to comply with open public meeting requirements.

The Committee agreed by consensus that the chair will provide agenda and agenda packets to appropriate HHS staff to be posted on the TC system to comply with open public meeting requirements; the chair will also be responsible for getting placement of a copy of the agenda at the Committee meeting facility.

- Meeting location

See VIII a) comments above regarding the meeting location. The issue of zoom meeting access was briefly discussed, and given the current status of TC public meetings being either in person or via zoom, the Housing Committee meetings will be in person.

c) Initial issues for the Committee to address: Discussion for possible action in initial selection and prioritization of near-term (*next 12 months*), mid-term (*next 5 years*) and long-term (*5 to 10 years+*) housing needs and opportunities to address:

The Vision of the TC COH is that Tuolumne County has adequate safe, healthy, and affordable shelter and housing options for all of the people that live in Tuolumne County.

- Housing stock assessment to identify gaps and needs (e.g. availability, affordability, etc.)
- Resources assessment of organizations providing housing and housing related services
- Identify funding opportunities available for developing housing and shelter projects
- Select and invite appropriate non-voting members from available resource organizations
- Develop Committee work plan that coordinates with and supports local resource organizations
- Provide recommendations to the TC Housing Policy Committee
- Planning/Permitting - easing of restrictions based off of the Emergency
- Others to be considered as appropriate

The Committee had a wide ranging and animated discussion about the Committee's obligations to the Commission, the scope of its work regarding housing and homelessness, its priorities, access to resources, role and responsibilities to County (expressly the Board of Supervisors) and to Community, existing opportunities, and the types of learning and self-education we need as a Committee. Ideas that emerged, and are to be further considered by the Committee included such as:

- An approach that prioritizes Committee work towards practical solutions for shelter and housing'
- An approach towards a wide and comprehensive understanding of Housing in Tuolumne County to inform the Committee's constructing practical solutions and generating multiple opportunities,
- Practical solutions include, and not limited to:
 - identifying relevant policy and regulatory barriers and recommending improvements;
 - identifying program or funding opportunities for relieving Tuolumne County homelessness
- The Committee needs to develop its work plan

Follow up items that emerged from this conversation are:

- Rick and Tom will develop a draft Committee work plan development process and initial draft work plan for the next meeting. The existing Tuolumne County 2019 Homelessness Plan is to be the starting base document for developing the Housing Committee work plan.
- Joe Bors will arrange for a speaker to the next Committee meeting to provide it a briefing on the Central Sierra Continuum of Care including its background, current status and Q&A with the Committee

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Rick adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.