

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP**

Doug Storey, Chairman .....2007  
 Jim Bilancieri .....2007  
 Kevin O’Brien.....2007  
 Edmund W. Plante .....2007  
 Mark Dugan .....2008

The Affordable Housing Partnership meets regularly, on the first Thursday evening of the month at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall to pursue our mission of assessing our community housing needs and implementing a strategic action plan that addresses those needs in a means that is best for the Town of Bolton.

We provided input to the Board of Selectmen and the Zoning of Appeals on several projects before the town including Bolton Manor, Sunset Ridge, Pondsides, Riverside, 711 and 713 Main Street and Century Mill Estates. Each of these proposed projects have an element of affordable housing in them. We also provided input to the Master Planning Committee on the Master Plan.

The Town of Bolton was certified as compliant with the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Planned Production Regulations for an additional 12 months, ending January 2007. Bolton will continue to have greater control over future proposals as a result of staying certified as compliant by DHCD. In order to do that we will need to permit a minimum of 11 additional units in 2007 for 2008 certification.

We proposed a revised article that was passed at the Annual Town Meeting in May to create an Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The article was passed by the town meeting. This was the 7<sup>th</sup> article passed by our town meeting in support of Affordable Housing initiatives over the last four years. The Trust Fund will have six members, three of whom will be the members of the Board of Selectmen, and three others appointed by the Board of Selectmen. This board will decide how to best use the resources in the Trust Fund to pursue Affordable Housing opportunities in Bolton.

We have several openings on the Affordable Housing Partnership and continue to look for interested volunteers. Please contact us if you would like to learn more or come to our meeting on the first Thursday of each month.

<b>Financial Statement</b>	
<b>July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	
Appropriated	\$5,000.00
Expended	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Unexpended balance returned to general fund	\$5,000.00