

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Agenda items**

Members Present: Teresa Whalen, Suzanne Tyler, Janet Tallman, John Gable, Dani Oliver, Rich Larkin

Guests: Norabelle Greenberger, LaBella Associates

#### **Minutes:**

Meeting called to order at 10:10

- October minutes accepted

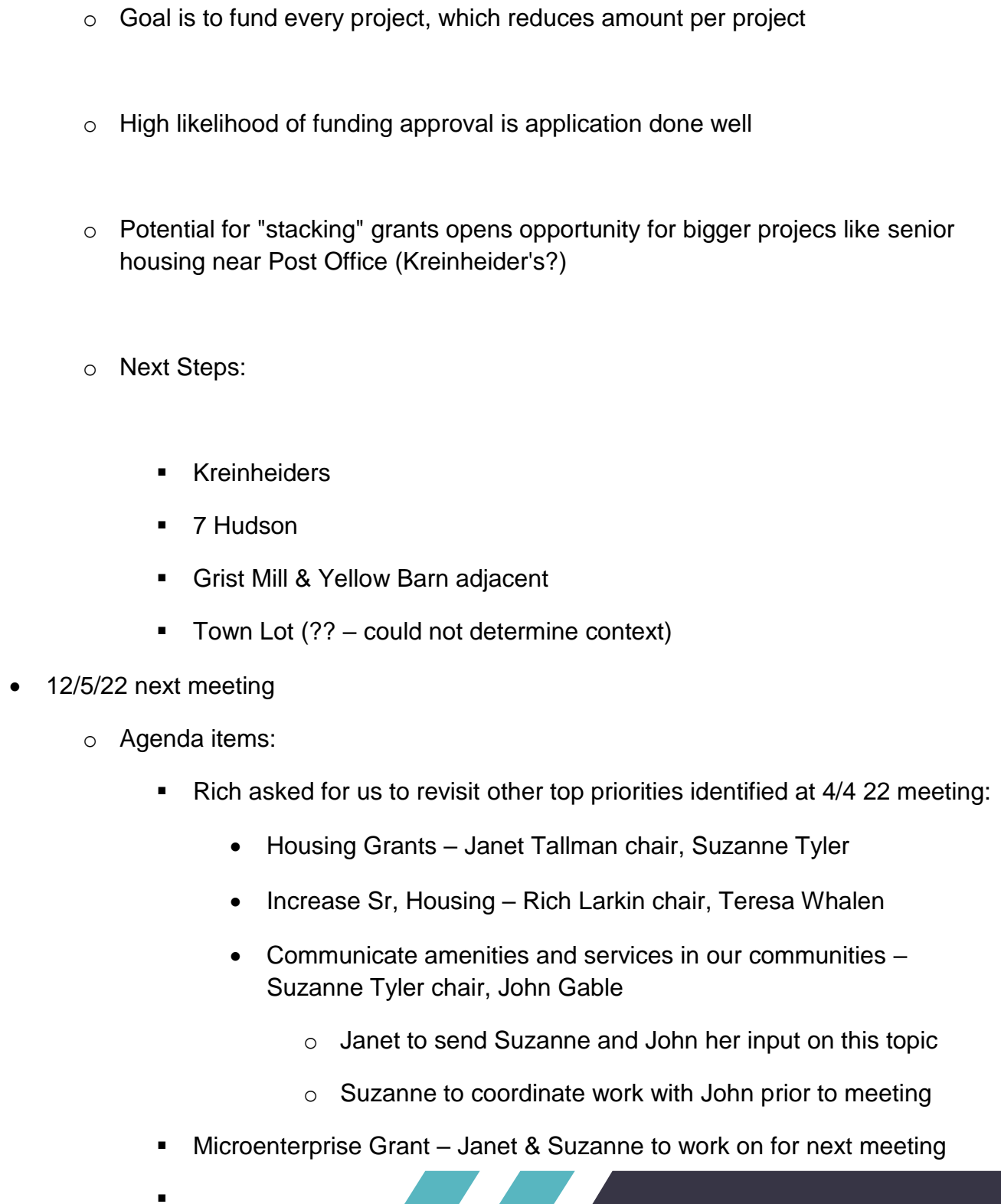
#### **Old Business**


- Janet revisited needs for readiness @ Town Hall in anticipation of an announcement of acceptance of our CDBG grant application.
- Rich opened conversation about the additional committees besides grant activity
  - Teresa spoke of the need to market the town's assets through real estate promotion and being proactive, not static
  - General conversation followed, about what to do in meantime – while waiting for summer 2023 completion of comprehensive plan and grant deadlines of July, it is too early to promote some properties (premature).
  - Suzanne: develop, promote and communicate ease of doing business w/town for development
  - Committee asked Norabelle for flow chart of process from LaBella and she agreed
  - (from when Comprehensive plan is approved through zoning update to align with comprehensive plan)
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- Funding available but deadline is October – will need to apply for in 2023 (lost context of what this was about due to multiple conversations)
- Meetings of civic organizations – capacity, location, amenities, etc – possible sites are Library, Town Hall, Schools?

### New Business

- Restore NY – 7<sup>th</sup> cycle since 2017 (with long gap in-between)
  - Funded by NYS Empire Development
  - Intent is for projects with "shovel in ground" within 6 months – short term
  - Focus is on rehab, reconstruction, demolition, all in keeping with "local character"
  - Applications due end of January
  - Up to \$2M w/10% match (by town? By property owner?)
  - Letter of intent needed end of November, with potential projects
  - This is where EDC comes in (did we identify what & timeline? – I lost context)
- NY Forward – 6 month planning process
  - More forward looking than Restore NY
  - Norabelle recommends Town submits two projects, then select one after approval
  - Include demo of stone building in back of Grand Union
  - 3 properties in running:
    - 7 Hudson
    - Stone building
    - Kreinheider's
  - \$150M available next round

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- Goal is to fund every project, which reduces amount per project
  - High likelihood of funding approval is application done well
  - Potential for "stacking" grants opens opportunity for bigger projects like senior housing near Post Office (Kreinheider's?)
  - Next Steps:
    - Kreinheiders
    - 7 Hudson
    - Grist Mill & Yellow Barn adjacent
    - Town Lot (?? – could not determine context)
  - 12/5/22 next meeting
    - Agenda items:
      - Rich asked for us to revisit other top priorities identified at 4/4 22 meeting:
        - Housing Grants – Janet Tallman chair, Suzanne Tyler
        - Increase Sr, Housing – Rich Larkin chair, Teresa Whalen
        - Communicate amenities and services in our communities – Suzanne Tyler chair, John Gable
          - Janet to send Suzanne and John her input on this topic
          - Suzanne to coordinate work with John prior to meeting
      - Microenterprise Grant – Janet & Suzanne to work on for next meeting
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- Other to do's not able to be determined
  - Meeting adjourned 11:40

