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**Boise/Ada County Homeless Coalition
Minutes, March 8, 2023**

The meeting was conducted by Pete Schroeder, President

Also in attendance: Cathedral of the Rockies, Pete Schroeder; Corpus Christi, Don Ruffing; Good Samaritan Home, Danelle Sanders; Intermountain Fair Housing Council, Sarah Jaraczek; Jesse Tree, Linda Beebe, Rodger Shaver; LEAP HOUSING, Cay Marquart; Cara Cain; Denise Caruzzi; Kathy Corless; Carol Craighill; Dani Drake; Lila Fetherolf; Karen Folk; James Grunow; Gary Hanes; Neysa Jensen; Mary Nagel; Kelli Parker; Vivian Parrish; Wayne Rancourt; Peg Richards; Pam Roemer; Gayle Wilde. Guests also Attending: Kelsey Cooper; Casey Matoon, Our Path Home; Lindsay Moser; Addie Prussing; Theresa Vewter, ID Foodbank; Mandy White, Idaho Housing and Finance Association. Presenters: Byron Folwell, Citizens' Zoning Advisory Committee; Tim Keene, Planning and Development Services Director; Maureen Brewer, Housing and Community Development Director, City of Boise.

Review of Minutes February 8, 2023, Peg R. moved. Second: Denise C. Approved unanimously.

Review of Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carol Craighill with a balance of \$3,959.98. Motion to approve: Denise C. Second: Cay M. Approved unanimously.

Presentations/Speakers:

Byron Folwell, (member of Citizens' Zoning Advisory Committee) Tim Keane (Planning and Development Services Director) and Maureen Brewer (Boise Housing and Community Development Director) gave us an update of the latest version of the new proposed zoning code which was last written in 1966. The primary focus of these new codes is to provide more density, more affordable housing, and reduce restrictions for developing affordable housing. Zoning is one of the most important tools to create affordable housing.

Peg R. (Intermountain Fair Housing Commission) pointed out that these new proposed zoning changes would not address solutions for the very lowest income people. Tim Keane said the government agencies do address this issue, but the supply isn't there. The new zoning changes will help increase the supply.

Sarah J. (IFHC) believes the new plan will still segregate groups of people and we will still have many homeless people. Maureen B. responded by saying this new zoning code will not end homelessness but will enable us to provide more housing options which were not possible with our recent code.

Committee Reports:

Lila F. (Education and Advocacy Committee) reported that a new online book discussion is being

organized by Jim Grunow which will be starting on April 14 and continuing on April 28 and May 12. The book is Homelessness is a Housing Problem by Gregg Colburn.

Agency Reports:

Agency reports can be found on the Coalition website:

<https://www.homelesscoalitionboise.com/updates/>. **We are asking all agencies to post their updates, needs, calendar events, etc. on this website.**

Denise C. attended the National Alliance to End Homelessness. She reported on how spectacular it was to be in a place where 1,000 people were engaged in our goals with the emphasis on always including people who are directly involved--the people who are homeless.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be April 12, 2023 at 1:30.

Notes taken by Cay Marquart Acting Secretary: Carol Craighill