

## MINUTES

### MOBILE MANUFACTURED HOME ADVISORY COUNCIL

APRIL 23, 2012

The Mobile Manufactured Home Advisory Council convened at 10:10 a.m. at the State Office Building, in Room-117, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Members Present:	Bennett Pudlin Ben Castonguay Jennifer Ponte Myriam Clarkson Leonard S. Campbell Keith Jensen Nancy E. Dickal	Attorney at Law, Acting Chairperson CT Real Estate Commission Member DECD Representative Mobile Manufactured Home Industry Rep. Town Planner Park Owner, Co-Chairperson Park Tenant
Members Absent:	Timothy Coppage George Cote Marcia L. Stemm Mark Berkowitz Al Hricz Erwin Cohen, Ph.D	CT Housing Finance Authority Rep Banking Industry Representative Park Owner Park Owner Park Tenant Senior Citizen
Board Vacancies:	One Representative of the Housing Advisory Committee One Park Tenant	
DCP Staff Present:	Nelson Leon Vicky Bullock, Staff Attorney	
Public Present:	Nancy Palmisano Raphael Podolsky, Esq. Mary Campbell	

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The Council voted unanimously to approve minutes of the September 20, 2011, December 19, 2011 and January 23, 2012 Mobile Manufactured Home Advisory Council meetings.

## **REPORT FROM SUB-COMMITTEES**

### **• LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Attorney Pudlin reference a mobile home case “Fairchild Heights Residents Association, Inc. v. Fairchild Heights, Inc.” in which the court decision is to require park residents to exhaust administrative remedies prior to going to court and that residents had no standing to sue a mobile home park together as one park, and that DCP Commissioner felt that the department was impacted and will make the court aware of it. Attorney Podolsky said to wait until DCP commits to filing a brief challenging the court’s decision or take a position on the matter on behalf of the complainants, and that DCP would have to seek a declaratory ruling to each complaint. Attorney Podolsky said the court decision is not due until May 22, 2012. Attorney Podolsky said that the landlord tenant acts language does apply to the Mobile Home Park Act, making it a violation of the rental agreement.

### **• FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Attorney Pudlin said that the Finance Committee will schedule to meet and discuss the additional information they would like reflected on the DCP complaint status report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Ms. Clarkson said that the Education Committee will schedule to meet and review the mobile home information on the DCP website to determine any required changes and/or updates. Ms. Clarkson said that the Committee would like to see the park name, park address, park size, park age and park location reflected on the DCP website.
- Attorney Pudlin said he will follow-up with Ms. DeRosa concerning available CHFA and the financing of mobile home parks, in addition to inquiring on the down payment reduction from 20% to 10%.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Council voted unanimously to change their July 23, 2012 meeting to July 9, 2012.

**DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT**

**2012 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**10:00 a.m., Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT**

January 23 – Monday

April 23 – Monday

July 23 – Monday / Re-scheduled to Monday - July 9, 2012

October 22 – Monday

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon  
Advisory Council Secretary

**The next meeting of the Advisory Council is scheduled for Monday, July 9, 2012, 10:00 a.m. in Room-117**