**Housing Committee Meeting Notes**

Date: June 30, 2016

Time: 10am

Place: 210 North Grove Street, East Orange, NJ

Attendees: Bill Hunter and Wilbert Gilbert

Notes:

The meeting began at 10:30am and ended at 12pm.

1. Introductions
   1. Bill Hunter
   2. Affiliation-Sierra House
2. Elections
   1. Chair-Bill Hunter
   2. Vice Chair-Will Gill
   3. Secretary-To Be Determined
3. Discuss topics/issues/concerns

•Number of Vacant and Abandon properties

•Economic Certification

•Developers are not willing to have single family homes on the property.

•Bank development assistance

•Who will be the target market

•Home ownership program (Preparedness Program)

•Style of homes (designed standard)

•Create a developers coalition (To implement C.O.O.P at the area standard and get municipal buy in.)

• (Create a community meeting with the fourth and fifth ward)

−To introduce project C.O.O.P as Greenwood area for development standard

• Solar green and water sustainable housing

•Investigate cost of the housing

•Tax credits

1. What are the committee goals, expected outcomes, etc.?
2. Create a neighborhood housing standard (Project C.O.O.P)
3. Create the vision to sell and market concept to:

• Municipalities

•Residents

•Future Residents

•Business Community

1. Have three community forums
2. What do we need to know from the community i.e. residents, stakeholders, businesses, government, etc.
3. Government

•What is the level of investor’s commitment?

•Do developers have to complete their projects?

1. Residents

•Who was there?

•What is their vision for the area?

•Are the renters looking to buy homes?

•What is the demographics?

1. Create 2-3 Community Forums to determine issues we should address
   1. Advertise Forms
   2. Next Committee Meeting- July 14, 2016

•Churches

•Email Blasts

•Recreation Dept.

•Block Association

•Door to Door

•Posters (Lawn Signs)

•Radio

•Union

•Municipal and public rehabilitation

\*Topics below were not discussed at this committee meeting.

1. Develop a schedule to accomplish the following
   1. Accomplish goals
   2. Hold community forums
   3. Create survey questions
   4. Gather data
   5. Interpret data
2. Present Committee Discussion to entire Steering Committee
   1. Goals/Outcomes
   2. Community forum dates
   3. Ways to advertise
   4. Survey questions to present to the forum
3. Notes