Revised Meeting Minutes
Branford Housing Authority
Special Meeting
Wednesday, April 5, 2017
The Community Room – Parkside I

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Commissioners Present: D. Denes, T. Lowe, J. Chadwick
Management: C. Daniw, L. Hampton
Beacon Representatives including Architect
Selectman, James Cosgrove and RTM Members
Tenant Association: J. Kavanaugh, L. Thompson, G. Arbour, S. Searles

Press – Steve Mazzacane Additional Guests

## CALL TO ORDER: D. Denes called meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

- D. Denes started the meeting with a brief history of what is the Branford Housing Authority. In addition, he gave a brief history of actions taken to move forward to the redevelopment of PSI over the past several years.
- J. Cosgrove discussed the actions taken since the application was removed for consideration. At the Towns request Branford Housing Authority posted a RFD for additional sites, none proved to be feasible other than the Branford Hills site currently owned by the Town of Branford.

Questions then where voiced from the neighbors what would the use of this property be if it was swapped with Branford Hills and where can we put them? What can we do with them?

Beacon: D. Kovel stated Branford Hills is a viable site to redevelop, is there an appetite for it, what are the plusses and minuses. We need to pick a site before we can design.

RTM – I guarantee it's not a fast process; we will need to know how residents feel in the Branford Hills area for this type of project.

S. Mazzacane asked to see plans. D. Kovel showed a rough set of proposed plans and said it needs to be opened to low income, must be sustainable. Units will be mixed one and two bedrooms.

Architect stated it would fit nicely into the Branford Hills site

J. Kavanaugh said transportation will still be an issue.

Meeting adjourned 8:35pm Respectfully Submitted Christine Buono Tenant Commissioner