

**CITY OF FLANDREAU
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HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Housing Authority Committee of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota met in special session on Thursday, August 1st at the Flandreau City Office.

Housing Authority Committee members present were: Don Whitman, Don Duncan, Carrie Sanderson (via phone). Absent: Gene Odenbrett, Jason Unger. Also present were; City Administrator Cohl Turnquist, Finance Officer Lori Kneebone, Mayor Dan Sutton; Todd Meierhenry.

The meeting was called to order by Administrator Turnquist at 11:00 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a possible housing development on Broad Avenue.

Todd Meierhenry, from Meierhenry Sargent, LLP Law Firm, presented information to the group on a possible timeline for developing Broad Avenue. Meierhenry has agreed to assist the Housing Authority Committee in the planning stages of the possible development.

Meierhenry stated interest rates are starting to come down and now would be a good time for the group to consider developing much needed housing in Flandreau.

An updated market analysis and housing plan study needs to be completed. The City has already completed this, and Administrator Turnquist will provide what is currently complete to Meierhenry so he can update the information.

The Housing Authority Committee, along with the City, needs to determine if this project will pencil out. Meierhenry suggested several housing options, including apartment style to modular homes.

The group is leaning towards two 8-12-unit complexes on Broad Avenue to begin with, and hopes to have construction start in the Spring of 2025.

Meierhenry suggested reaching out to the local school to see if they would be interested in partnering with the City and Housing Authority Committee on this project, as finding houses for teachers in Flandreau has become a problem.

Turnquist will do more research on this and a future meeting will take place in a month.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.