HARWICH HOUSING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Town Hall Library, 732 Main Street

Harwich, MA 02645

Monday, May 8, 2017

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm

Quorum: Art Bodin, Cindi Maule and Julia Eldredge

Introduce Guest(s): Aly Sabatino, John Stewart, Jannell Brown

Review and Approve Minutes: Cindi motioned to approve the Minutes of 4/3/2017. It was seconded by Art and it was agreed.

Mr. Gregory Winston emailed the HHC members to inform us he was not feeling well and will reach out to Art Bodin during the week.

General Discussion and updates to Activities Tracking List and Old Business -

1. Middle School - due to discussions at the Annual Town Meeting on May 1st and May 2nd, it was agreed by the HHC Members to remove this item from our Agenda.
2. 70 Willow Street – town owned, 1.81 acres
   1. Art offered to complete and submit the CPC application to hire legal counsel to settle the boundary issues and obtain clear title
3. 93-97 Main Street, West Harwich – HECH/Habitat Joint Venture
   1. Habitat proposal approved by HHA/HHC to build 6 units on back half of property
   2. BOS on 10/13/2016 approved 240K from housing & LIP application
   3. ZBA meeting 3/8/2017 – this will be continued and is the normal course of action per Aly Sabatino, Town Planner
   4. ZBA meeting 3/21/2017 – questions arose about Habitat’s application. Habitat asked for a 2 week continuance
   5. ZBA meeting set for 6/28/2017
4. Harwich Housing Production Plan (HHPP)
   1. Gregory Winston was not able to attend our meeting. HHC is still looking for confirmation on the status of existing affordable housing units at Pine Oaks Village which are due to lose affordability status in the future
   2. Letter to BOS affirming HHC’s full support of the HHPP and hiring of a Housing Coordinator

Old Business –

1. Gregory Winston could not attend our meeting. Pine Oaks Village Sec. 8 contract has expired. Is MCCH extending contract or renewing contract? How are they preserving it/keeping it affordable?
   1. Will there be a Pine Oaks Village Phase 4?
2. Albro House – engineering study being performed
3. List of properties being considered for potential housing sites
   1. Stone Horse Motel – (HAC/under contract)
   2. Route 124 & Drum Road
   3. Albro House – engineering study
   4. Captains Hill Motel - (1.2 acres)
   5. #337 Route 137 - 1.05 acres (vacant land for disabled housing)
   6. Depot Street – (town owned) Art met with Chris Clark and Mike MacAskill. Mr. Clark agreed to have the Town Engineer take a look
   7. 397 Route 28 Harwichport - (Handler Auto Parts property)
   8. Lynn Way (located off Depot Road) – Town owned, approx. 5 acres)
   9. Oak Street by Golf Course – town owned

HHC will focus on list of properties in the HHPP page 95

New Business -

1. Housing Strategies – HHC will focus on preparing a plan/agenda to work with other Town Departments (planning board, BOS, housing authority and COA) to successfully implement the Housing Strategies listed on page 10 of the HHPP
   1. Aly informed the HHC that the Planning Board has added the Housing Strategies to their goals and we should reach out to them if we have any questions on strategies we are jointly assigned to
2. Art met with Chris Clark, Mike MacAskill and discussed town owned land and Affordable Housing Project.
3. Update of the HHC Charge/Mission Statement
4. Joint Projects between Harwich Conservation Trust and HHC
   1. Route 39 – property labeled “owners unknown”

Additional comments and suggestions -

1. Art announced Amy Harris has resigned from the HHC. The Committee currently has two vacancies and asked everyone to think of possible candidates to fill the openings.

Next meeting: June 5th

Meeting adjourned: 5:30pm

Posting Officer: Julia W. Eldredge, HHC