

## **Housing Bank Review Committee (HBRC)**

**July 7th, 2022**

**4:00 pm**

A meeting of the Committee was held on the above date and time via the Zoom Application. Members present were:

Chilmark – Jim Malkin,  
Edgartown – James Hagerty  
Oak Bluffs – Mark Leonard  
Tisbury – Rachel Orr  
West Tisbury – Jessica Miller

Mr. Hagerty informally opened the meeting and took attendance of members present. There was a quorum of 4, and the committee concurred that they should proceed with the commencing the meeting.

Mr. Malkin then reiterated that the committee is here in support of the concept of a Housing Bank that was overwhelmingly voted by the six Towns. He then recognized the work the Coalition to Create a Housing Bank MV (CCHBMV) has accomplished over the past year.

Ms. Orr then signed onto the meeting.

Mr. Malkin then elaborated on the administrative requirements of the meeting (Chair, Minutes, etc). Mr. Malkin then request that Mr. Hagerty function as the Secretary of the Committee. Mr. Hagerty agreed, and the committee concurred.

Mr. Hagerty then made a motion for Mr. Malkin take on the Chairperson role of the Committee. Mr. Leonard seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Malkin went on to describe his opinion of goals for the Committee in future decision making. He explained that amendments should meet the intent of the Town meeting vote; they should be effective and streamlined; they should limit the effects on infrastructure as much as possible; and they should strike balance between the requests of multiple public and private entities. Mr. Malkin also stated he would like to reach out to State Legislatures to see if they have any specific amendments they would like to introduce.

Ms. Orr stated that it would really be helpful to have State Rep or Senator come in and explain the process for this type of legislation.

Mr. Malkin then surveyed the group about the best times for future meetings. The general census was future Wednesdays during the late afternoon timeframe.

Mr. Malkin suggested that all amendments should be submitted to in writing to Mr. Hagerty no later than 48 hours prior to the commencement of a meeting.

Mr. Leonard then discussed the difference between amendments that must go to the Select Board(s), and the amendments that could be approved by the Committee.

Laura Silber (CCHMBW) then elaborated on her interpretation.

Ms. Orr then discussed how some of the interpretation of legal language should be further defined in order assist the committee in the future. Mr. Hagerty recommended that any amendments approved by the committee should be reviewed by Town Council for definition and legalese.

Ms. Orr then asked for clarification on the Committee's Open Meeting Law (OML) requirements. Mr. Hagerty then explained the Open Meeting Law rules of a public body and answered several questions about quorums and deliberations.

The Committee then set the next meeting for Wednesday 7/13/22 at 5:30pm.

Mr. Malkin then opened the meeting for comments from the general public.

John Abrams (CCHBMV) asked if the Committee considered the amendments submitted by the CCHBMV to be official sent to the Committee. Mr. Malkin said yes.

At 4:29 PM the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

James Hagerty  
Edgartown Town Administrator