

Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting

Tuesday June 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Jason Mazar-Kelly, Christine White, Christina Brown, C.J. Moriarty

Others Present: Arielle Faria, Affordable Housing Manager

Chairman Hess opened the meeting at 5:00 PM.

Minutes: Jason Mazar-Kelly made a motion to approve the May 17, 2022 minutes. Christina Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hess welcomed the newest member of the AHC, Cornelius (C.J.) Moriarty to the Committee. The Chairman stated that there were several applicants for the position and the Selectboard unanimously voted for Mr. Moriarty. The Chairman had an opportunity to meet with Mr. Moriarty to inform and update him on all things affordable housing and assured Mr. Moriarty that in a few short meetings he will be properly up to speed. Chairman Hess thanked Mr. Moriarty for being willing to take on the position and for bringing his knowledge and experience to the position. Mr. Moriarty thanked the Committee and the Selectboard for the opportunity to serve and he has heard a lot of good things about the Committee and is looking forward to serving with the entire Committee.

Old Business:

Meshacket Project Update: Chairman Hess informed the Committee that the development team for Meshacket presented their updated design (and engineering) plan to the Selectboard on June 16th. The presentation was well received, although there was little comment from the SB, James Hagerty asked about the time line for groundbreaking and the developers made an estimate of about a year and a half. The Chairman made note that the designers have made some changes to the plan, relative to the AHC meeting with them, in regards to the washer and dryers. Jason Mazar-Kelly asked what the driving force was behind the timing of the ground breaking for the Meshacket project. The Chairman replied that the development group had to go before the MVC, Planning board and zoning board as well as dealing with the timing of certain funding being made available to them at the state level.

Quammox West update: Ms. Faria informed the Committee that Doug Hoehn's office was engaged to do the work requested for the Quammox West property and that the estimated time of completion was 6 weeks. Ms. Faria will follow up with Mr. Hoehn's office in the coming weeks.

Morgan Woods: Ms. Faria informed the Committee that Lucinda Perrigill sent her an email following up on the issues that the Committee had brought to Ms. Perrigill's attention. Ms. Perrigill assured the Committee that she had addressed and in most cases resolved the issues pertaining to abandoned cars, waste management and management availability to residents. Ms. Faria stated she was pleased with the efforts the management has taken to address the Committee's concerns. Chairman Hess stated that he was recently at Morgan Woods and agreed that everything looked to be up kept and presentable, he was glad Ms. Perregill has kept the Committee informed.

The Chairman informed the Committee that he was called to testify in the trial between the Martha's Vineyard Commission and the Meeting House Place developers. The Chairman stated that he has spoken

to both side's attorney's and he will answer pretty simple questions as well as provide correspondence that the Committee sent to the MVC in regards to the Meeting House Place proposal.

New Business:

Housing Bank Review Committee: Ms. Faria explained to the Committee that the housing bank review committee was in the process of being formed and representatives from every island town were in the process of being chosen. Edgartown will be choosing their representative on June 27th and after that is done they will schedule meetings to review the warrant article and consider amendments that will be sent to the state legislature. The Chairman suggested that Ms. Faria recommend to the Selectboard that CJ Moriarty serve on this committee. Ms. Faria replied that she would speak to James Hagerty to make the suggestion.

Jason Mazar-Kelly asked Ms. Faria if she had a chance to work on the letter in regards to the short term rental tax. Ms. Faria replied that she had started to put it together however, she was having difficulty locating records of what was said at the 2019 Town Meeting in regards to the STR tax revenue and distribution of those funds. The Chairman suggested looking for the recording of the Town Meeting in the MVTV archives or referencing the Gazette.

Christine White asked if Ms. Faria had heard anything further about the residency compliance of the High Street property. Ms. Faria replied that she had not specifically but she would look into it again.

The Committee discussed future meeting dates and agreed to meet July 19th via Zoom if still possible.

Correspondence: Demo Delays: There were no new demo delays.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arielle Faria