

Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2023 at 5:00 PM
Edgartown Town Hall

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Vice-Chairman Jason Mazar-Kelly, Christine White, Maria Ventura

Chairman Mark Hess called the meeting to order at 5p.m.

Minutes: Maria Ventura motioned to accept both May 16, 2023 and June 6, 2023 minutes. Cornelius Moriarty seconded. All present voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: Mr. Chairman announced the lottery success of the Avakian Property (4 22nd St South) Resale. Also mentioned, Terri from DCRHA had emailed the lottery winner today (6/20/23) about his next stage. This process seems to be going well and he will keep eyes on closing. Nicole Brisson and Casey O'Connor the recipient of 6th Street North project were mentioned for the open committee new seat. Jason Mazar-Kelly motioned to recommend from the Select Board to take on Casey O'Connor as the new committee member. Cornelius Moriarty seconded and motion carried. Mr. Chairman stated we need advertising letter that outline main points of homeowners rental assistance programs, what AH does and other programs we have. Mr. Chairman asked was there any other old business. Ms. Christine White mentioned Carolyn Caldwell from Chappy project is having closing issues due to pending documents and if this closing isn't expedited she will run in problems with living condition. Ms. Christine White then read Ms. Caldwell correspondence stating she is waiting for a satisfaction letter from DCRHA. Mr. Chairman said a correspondence should be sent to both DCRHA and town counsel Attorney Isabelle asking what's the closing status for this Chappy project. Mr. Vice-Chairman told AH Manager, if Mr. David at DCRHA is moving slowly or not responding in providing the letter or documents, kindly let him know.

New Business: Mr. Vice-Chairman spoke with Ms. Silber from MVC who is willing to assist Edgartown AH with the municipal housing research but she needs a letter from Edgartown AH. Mr. Chairman suggested the letter should state, the Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee, seeks the assistance of the Martha's Vineyard Commission to help the town investigate state mechanisms, local resources, and funding letter availability for municipal employee workforce housing. Cornelius Moriarty motioned to accept Mr. Chairman suggested letter to MVC. Jason Mazar-Kelly seconded. All present voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.

AH Manager and Mr. Vice-Chairman will meet up this week and work together on resources and rental assistance programs.

Ms. Christine White gave an update that all is great at Morgan Woods and she has been getting good responses. Ms. Christine White also requested that since the peak season is starting and the parking issue has started, how about the next meeting be held at the Library. It was agreed upon that next meeting will be Joint AHC and AHT meeting held on July 18th at the Library at 4pm.

There was no correspondence. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shanette Deleon



Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee

7.18.23

Date of Approval