

Edgartown Affordable Housing Trust Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2024 at 5:00 PM
Remote Only/Zoom

*Members in Attendance: Chair Maria Ventura, Vice-Chair Mark Hess,
Arthur Smadbeck, Cornelius Moriarty*

Madam Chair Maria Ventura called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Minutes: Madam Chair started with February 13th and February 22nd, 2024 meeting minutes. Arthur Smadbeck made a motion to approve both February 13, 2024 and February 22, 2024 minutes. Mark Hess seconded. All present voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.

Bills: Madam Chair presented the first bill total of \$2,456.15 to Reynolds, Rappaport, Kaplan & Hackney LLC for Meshacket and Chappy legal February services. Arthur Smadbeck made a motion to pay the \$2,456.15 to Reynolds, Rappaport, Kaplan & Hackney LLC. Mark Hess seconded. Three members voted yea, motion passed. Second bill \$100.00 to Vineyard Gazette for the advertising of the Committee notice of public hearing. Mark Hess made a motion to approve the payment of \$100.00 to Vineyard Gazette. Arthur Smadbeck seconded. Three members voted yea, motion passed. Third bill \$161.84 to MV Times for the advertisement of the Committee Public Hearing. Mark Hess made a motion to approve the payment of \$161.84 to MV Times. Arthur Smadbeck seconded. Three members voted yea, motion passed. The fourth bill total of \$240.00 to daRosa's for 1500 Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Envelopes for Housing Heroes Campaign. Arthur Smadbeck made a motion to pay the \$240.00 to daRosa's. Mark Hess seconded. All present voted in favor and motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports: Munis Report shows good standing no major changes.

Old Business: Public Hearing/Warrant Article Update – It was reported no one from the public attended the Public Hearing; they were only eight people present. But there was a positive email response from the Lodging Association member, stating “As far as I am concerned the 2 other towns currently have the 6% rate so it just brings Edgartown in line with the other towns.”

AMI/Maximum Allowable Increase (Amending Trust) Update – It was reported that Town Counsel is still unsuccessful in getting in contact with any attorneys from KP law in regards to how they got Nantucket and Provincetown to go above our 140% maximum allowable(AMI). Ms. Silber suggested that the quickest way would be to go to the Edgartown Zoning bylaw committee KP Law Attorney to get the information. Mr. Smadbeck stated any additional counsel expense must first go through James Hagerty, Town Administrator.

New Business: There is no new business.

Correspondence: There is no correspondence.

Arthur Smadbeck motioned to adjourn the meeting. Cornelius Moriarty seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shanette Deleon



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Date of Approval