

## **Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday January 7, 2019 at 5:00 PM**

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Tim Rush, Nancy Trimper, Maria Ventura, Christine White, Christina Brown

Chairman Hess opened the meeting at 5:00 PM

Minutes: The minutes from December 3, 2019 were reviewed and approved.

### Old Business:

Chairman Hess explained to the Committee that Philippe Jordi of Island Housing Trust came to the last Committee meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December. The Chairman explained that there was not a quorum but the Committee agreed to listen to Mr. Jordi's proposal. At this meeting, Mr. Jordi showed the present committee members two parcels of land that have the potential to be developed as Chapter 40B affordable housing developments. One parcel is located behind the new Town MV sports bar and the second across from the library in a residential area. The Chairman informed Mr. Jordi that once the rest of the Committee was present and had a chance to discuss the proposals that the Committee would be glad to support the efforts to go forward to other town departments with his proposals. Tim Rush asked if this project would be 25 percent affordable (as required by 40B projects) or an additional percentage. Chairman Hess asked the administrator to look into what the percentage of the project will be affordable. There was discussion of the logistics of the projects. The Chairman read the letter that administrator put together to support the project. The Committee made a couple of edits to the letter but decided to wait to send the letter until after Mr. Jordi answers what the percentage of units will be affordable.

The administrator presented, for the Committee's review, the Town Report. Chairman Hess explained that there was a deadline for the report and that the administrator sent it to him to review and he approved the content. The Committee members reviewed the changes.

The Chairman asked the Committee about the procedure of adding on to a buy-down property. Chairman Hess asked if the owner has to have approval from the Committee before they make additions or changes to the property if the owners pay out of pocket for the additions or improvements. It was the general consensus of the Committee that if there were additions made without change to or refinancing of their mortgage then approval would not be necessary. However, the owner would still have to abide by the restrictions of their deed and their max resale price. This is true for all of affordable home-owners.

Maria Ventura discussed the open house for the sale of 4-B Magnolia Way, the deadline for applications is Wed. January 8<sup>th</sup>. The Committee would like the administrator to find out when the drawing is for this property.

### New Business:

The administrator discussed with the Committee that the restrictions in the deed rider for Kevin Henry had expired in August and his attorney had sent a letter asking the Committee if they were planning to exercise their right of first refusal for 22 Bold Meadow Lane as Mr. Henry had decided to sell. Attached was an appraisal and the asking price of \$1,075,00.00

Chairman Hess asked for a motion to pass on the right of first refusal for 22 Bold Meadow Lane, Christine White made the motion, Tim Rush seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The administrator will inform Mr. Henry's lawyer of the result of the vote. The administrator informed the Committee that the subordination of mortgage for Rebecca Minnich had been executed and that the transfer should be all set.

The Chairman asked about any progress on the purchase of 28 Jason Drive and the administrator explained that town counsel had been in touch with Candace Nichols in regards to her client's property but as of the last time the administrator was in touch with town counsel she had not heard a reply in regards to Ms. Nichol's client's decision. The administrator will speak with town counsel to figure out what our next steps will be.

The administrator will also be in touch with town counsel in regards to the Meshaket RFP. Christine White inquired to correspondence with Laurel Zettl as there have been more complaints about her property being empty. The Chairman would like the administrator to send a registered letter to Ms. Zettl saying that the Committee would like to meet with her immediately as they are not convinced of the validity of her residency. The Committee would like to see her immediately and if the Committee does not see her at a meeting in the next two months, the Committee would like to take steps to return the property to the affordable housing pool.

Demo Delays: The Committee passed on demo delays for 47 North Water Street and 5 Kitts Field.

Correspondence: The administrator informed the Committee of the next joint affordable housing meeting Wed. January 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM at the MVC.

The administrator informed the Committee that she would be in vacation from February 4<sup>th</sup> to February 24<sup>th</sup> and she will be working a couple of days each week to make sure nothing falls behind. The Committee will meet in February on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Arielle Faria