Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting

Tuesday April 21, 2020 at 5:00 PM

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Vice-chairman Tim Rush, Nancy Trimper, Christine White, Christina Brown, Melissa Vincent

Chairman Hess opened the meeting at 5:00 PM

Minutes:

The Committee reviewed the minutes from January 7, 2020. Christina Brown made an edit to the minutes under demo delays to change Pine Street to Pine Tree. The Committee unanimously voted to accept the minutes with the one edit.

Old Business:

The administrator informed the Committee that she sent the letter from the Committee to Sean Murphy explaining the Committee's position. Mr. Murphy replied he would be in touch with his clients. The administrator also informed the Committee that the MVC is due to meet on the coming Thursday in response to other compliance issues that needed to be addressed. The MVC will potentially add the request for a fee reduction to that meeting.

Inventory:

The administrator stated that she sent an email to Dawn Vadnais as per the last meeting but has not heard anything back yet. Melissa Vincent stated that during these times management should be more responsive and not less responsive. The administrator will try to speak to Ms. Vadnais as soon as possible. Chairman Hess suggests getting in touch with Lucinda Perrigil asking what policies they have set up given Covid-19 and what avenues have been set up for tenants with rental assistance or delay of payments. Also, if TCB could send us documentation of what they have sent to the tenants.

New Business:

The Chairman informed the Committee that he had been in touch with the administrator to figure out what kind of contribution the Committee could make to help with emergency funds for those in need. The administrator will attend a virtual training on emergency rental assistance programs hosted by CHAPA and MHP. The administrator will let the Committee know what the recommended steps are that need to be taken in order to make funds available to Edgartown residents for rental assistance.

The administrator spoke to the Committee about getting a new laptop as she has been having some issues with the old one. The administrator spoke to Adam Darack in IT for the town, regarding replacing her laptop and Mr. Darack thinks he can replace it for a reasonable sum of money. Melissa Vincent made a motion to allow the admininistrator to acquire a new computer for no more than eight hundred dollars to use for the purposes of her job. Tim Rush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Melissa Vincent mentioned that everything should be all set for Nancy Trimper to replace Ms. Vincent on the DCRHA board.

Chairman Hess chose the first and the third of next month for meetings.

Demo Delays: There were no new demo delays Correspondence: There was no new correspondence The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Arielle Faria