Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting

Tuesday May 5, 2020 at 5:00 PM

Members in Attendance: Chairman Mark Hess, Vice-chairman Tim Rush, Nancy Trimper, Christine White, Maria Ventura

Chairman Hess opened the meeting at 5:00 PM

Minutes:

The Committee reviewed the minutes from April 21, 2020. Tim Rush made a motion to approve the minutes, Christine White seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Chairman Hess updated the Committee on the correspondence between the administrator and Sean Murphy regarding the Field Club. Mr. Murphy sent the Committee a letter requesting that the remainder of the payments be made in increments of \$25,000.00 over the next three years with the first payment being made this December. Chairman Hess stated that the Trust was in support of this payment schedule. Christine White made a motion that the Committee would accept the payment schedule that Sean Murphy presented on behalf of the Field Club/Boat House Club where they will pay the Committee \$25,000.00 starting December, 2020 and ending December, 2023, totaling \$100,000.00. Tim Rush seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The administrator will draft a letter to Sean Murphy to inform his clients of the Committee's decision.

Chairman Hess asked the administrator to bring the Committee up to date in regards to Morgan Woods, Mr. Rush asked for clarification on the correspondence from Sally Apy. The administrator explained the current difficulties that Sally Apy was facing regarding her move into a new apartment because of the Corona virus pandemic. The administrator went on to explain how Lucinda Perrigil and TCB were handling the situation. The Committee agreed that the TCB staff was handling Ms. Apy's situation to the best of their abilities and were in line with standard practices of most rental management companies.

The Chairman reminded the Committee that he and the administrator had been in touch with the Selectman regarding the contribution that the Committee would like to make on behalf of the Town to Dukes Regional Housing Authority for emergency rental relief. Chairman Hess goes on to say that the Trust discussed the contribution and approved for the amount of up to \$15,000.00 be distributed to DCRHA for the sole purpose of Emergency rental relief, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and to be distributed to Edgartown residents only. The Chairman added that there would not be any administrative costs taken out of that \$15,000.00 and David Vingeault would work out how that the contribution will be distributed. After approval from the Committee the proposal would need to be approved by the Selectman. Tim Rush made a motion to approve a contribution of up to \$15,000.00 to Dukes County Regional Housing Authority for Edgartown residents only, to be used for the sole purpose of Emergency Rental relief for those effected by the Covid-19 pandemic and not to include administrative fees. Christine White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Chairman Hess asked the administrator to speak to the town administrator to let him know the Committee's proposal and that the contribution will be made from the Trust's general fund and not from CPC funds.

David Vingeault joined the meeting and the Chairman updated him regarding the contribution the Committee intends to make to the emergency rental program. Mr. Vingeault explained the general situation the DCRHA is faced with currently in terms of emergency rental assistance vs. the general rental assistance program. The Chairman further clarified how the contribution would be distributed and instructed the administrator to work with Mr. Vingneault to put together a proposal for the BOS to approve and move on from there. Mr. Vingeault thanked the Committee for the support.

New Business:

There was no new business 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 5:29 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Arielle Faria