## **Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee Meeting Minutes January 17 2013**

Members Present; Mark Hess, Janet Hathaway, Christina Brown, Timothy Rush

Members Absent: Melissa Vincent, Sharon Purdy

Also present:

John Economos from TCB and Deana Deese New Property Manager at Morgan Woods.

Minutes from December 13, 2012 were approved as amended.

The Committee welcomed Deana and thanked her and John for coming to the meeting. The current situation at Morgan Woods was discussed. John stated they have 5 move outs, 4 from the market rate units. The reasons primarily are from inability to pay rent. Some tenants are leaving still owing a substantial amount of back rent that TCB will have to absorb.

The Housing Needs Assessment was discussed. Christina handed out various sections of the study draft with charts and figures. The recommendation for 80% rental units to 20% ownership will be further explored by the Committee.

The upcoming Public Workshop for Meshacket was rescheduled for January 28 at 6pm to 7pm. Letters and advertisements will go out. Other details for the workshop were discussed. Mark asked that Terry Keach from DCRHA be contacted to attend and answer questions for potential applicants, also that her time would be compensated. Tim disclosed that he is employed by the owner of lots 240 and 46 (abutting the Meshacket Property) and that his employment does not rise to the level of having a conflict as no financial interest in the property exists.

The letter to the MVC was discussed. Mark stated he had received Email correspondence from Melissa and Sharon objecting to certain points in the letter. The Selectmen were in concurrence with the letter being sent out as written. The Committee discussed having in their bylaws a rule that members must be able to attend at least 80% of meetings.

3 Demo Delay Notices were reviewed: 260 Katama Rd, 23 Mullen Way & 9 Starbuck Rd. The Committee voted to pass on all 3 as they could not utilize any of the structures at this time. David Vigneault sent an email asking if the Committee needed to review the Demo By law process in the case of 260 Katama Rd which was requested by a Real Estate agent acting on behalf of the executor of the property. The Committee stated that they would defer the process or changes to the building inspector.

A Mortgage Subordination request from Paul Beeson and Rebecca Minnich 8 Tree Top Rd for a refinance of \$265,000.00 was presented. Motion was made seconded and passed to approve the request.

A Mortgage subordination request from Heather Anne Slayton 290 The Boulevard for a TRI lien of \$15,000 was presented. Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the request. A request to extend Sibel Suman's contract as written to June 30, 2013 was presented. Motion was made seconded and passed to approve the request.

Janet announced that the Selectmen will be placing a warrant article for the ATM to ask for the voters to approve the Town owned lots on  $6^{\rm th}$  Street for Affordable Housing. The Committee voted unanimously to endorse the warrant.

Everyone agreed that they would attend the Meshacket Workshop on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mark stated that he will not be available during February. The next Committee Meeting was scheduled for March  $14^{\rm th}$ .

Respectfully Submitted

Sibel Suman