## Aug. 25, 2015 West Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee Minutes

**Present:** Larry Schubert, Mike Colaneri, Henry Gellar, Glenn Hearn, Ted Jochsberger and Vickie Thurber

Also Present: Rhonda Conley and Richard Knabel

Larry, interim chair, explained that Joanne contacted him as to being open to nomination as interim chair. There was a short discussion about how elections for chair and vice chair are held in April. The decision to have yearly elections was decided by the committee approximately 6 years ago. This discussion led to a conversation about the voting for projects. Members who are members of other boards that are reviewing projects of interest to AHC need to be conscious of conflict of interest and may have to recluse themselves from voting if necessary.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

**AHC Members:** Rhonda told the members that the Selectmen voted to remove the Building Inspector from possibly being a member of the AHC and put the requirement back on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**Letters to Selectmen:** Mike asked if the letters to the Selectmen were sent. Rhonda stated they were not that she had them for the committee to review. The members reiterated that the letters were decided at past meeting and should have been signed and sent. Larry signed the selectmen special meeting letter. The Welles property letter was decided to handle in house. Rhonda will ask Jen to be put on the Selectmen's agenda.

Mike made a motion, seconded by Glenn to accept 8/11/15 minutes as written. **VOTE 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Article 33:** Mike brought up using the money given to the AHT in 2012 Warrant Article 33 of \$50,000.00 toward the Fire Station Lot project. The members discussed this but do not see how this can be done as the warrant article of 2014 states the project is to be a certain development of buildings so cannot pursue another form of it even with funds not designated for the project.

**Funds in Trust:** Rhonda stated it is approx. \$152,000.00. Henry asked that Rhonda bring a spread sheet to the following meetings.

### **ONGOING BUSINESS**

### Hurd Home site: No word

**Dowd Refinance:** Rhonda stated that CHAPA is approving the refi and allowing Simon Warren be placed on the deed. Rhonda stated that the AHC may still have the \$1.00 mortgage placed on the property. *Mike made a motion seconded by Vickie to talk to town counsel about placing the \$1.00 mortgage on the Dowd property.* **VOTE 6 YES 0 NO** 

**Island Housing Trust Funding Request:** Rhonda stated that town counsel does not believe under the current form the proposal can be supported by the AHT. The discussion centered on the proposal needing more specific guidelines with income qualifications and fine tuning.

**Fire Station Lot:** The discussion on the changing of the warrant article brought up various points and how they should be addressed 1) number of buildings? 2) number of units? 3) no mention of either?

Larry believes it should mention max bedroom number but not buildings. Vickie believes it needs to be specific in the amendment. Ted has created a draft. He will update it and send out to everyone.

Further items were postponed until next meeting due to lateness of the hour. Adjourned at 8:45 PM

The next meeting is Sept. 8, 2015 at 7 PM in Town Hall 2nd floor conference rm. The next AHT meeting is Sept. 22, 2015 at 7:15 PM in town hall 2nd floor conferee rm. Meeting with the Selectmen is Sept. 9, 2015 at 5 PM in the 2nd floor town hall conference rm.

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Conley