

**July 28, 2015**  
**West Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** Mike Colaneri, Henry Gellar, Glenn Hearn, Ted Jochsberger, Richard Knabel, Skipper Manter, Larry Schubert and Joanne Scott

**Absent with Regrets:** Vickie Thurber (7:45 arrival)

**Also Present:** Rhonda Conley, Mike Holtham and Derrell Bazy

Skipper made a motion seconded by Mike to accept the 7/14/15 minutes as written.

**VOTE 7 YES 0 ON 1 ABSTAIN**

**INVOICES**

**Fire Station Lot:** Consultant Leedara Zola requested payment for work already performed on the Fire Station Lot RFP. ***Mike made a motion seconded by Skipper to pay Leedara Zola \$1,250.00 for work performed on the Fire Station Lot Project. VOTE 8 YES 0 NO***

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Property:** Joanne brought to everyone's attention that Paul Garcia's house is on the market with an asking price of \$895,000.00. Other members do not believe this would be a good investment due to Historical Commission requirements and septic capacity. ***Mike made a motion seconded by Skipper not to pursue this property. VOTE 5 YES 3 NO 1 ABSTAIN***

**ONGOING BUSINESS**

**Welles Property:** Vickie gave the update on counsel's opinion that the AHT may make any deal they wish with present owner as far as living arrangements. Several members of the trust do not feel comfortable with the trust pursuit of the property as they believe the Town has offer still on the table to property owner. There was some debate as to some members of the trust knowing about the pursuit of the property. Rhonda explained that the go ahead was decided last June. Discussion of number of units, how the Historical Commission would deal with the changeover, traffic issues and septic were brought up as concerns. ***Henry made a motion seconded by Vickie to continue exploring the Welles Property possibilities as an affordable housing development. VOTE 6 YES 3 NO***

The main questions that were decided needed addressed before moving forward were

1. Septic capacity
2. Historic Commission application thoughts. The present owner should be informed of this move.
3. List of easements, liens and incumbents on property.

Larry suggested these issues be cleared up before anything further is done.

Another issue stated Richard is that the Town already has an offer to purchase the property causing a conflict with AHT making an offer. Richard suggested the Trust meet with the Selectmen to discuss town offer and whether it is a clear offer and who should pursue the property, town or trust. This would need to be an executive session meeting.

**Fire Station Lot:** As the issue of the warrant article caused a cease of work on the RFP, members must decide what to do. There was a discussion of using the present article or pursuing the triplex design. As the members were divided no decision was made.

Adjourned at 8:40 PM

**The next meeting will be Aug. 25, 2015 at 7:15 PM in the town Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference rm.**

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Conley