

Approved 11/17/22
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
Howes House Building Committee
November 2, 2022

Present: Skipper Manter, Kathy Logue, Jim Klingensmith; Bethany Hammond; Bernadette Lyons; Mike Josefek, Donald Velozo, Susan Silk, Dan Waters, Richard Andre

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

Minutes of 10/26/22: *B. Lyons motioned to approve the minutes of 10/26/22. K Logue seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Designer Selection: The committee discussed the two firms they interviewed the week prior. Skipper said he liked both, he was concerned that BH&A was too big and then expressed concern that K&K was too small. Bernadette said she had not been able to choose which one was her first choice. Kathy said she thought experience working on the island was critical and BH&A does not have that experience. She also appreciated that K&K said they would start from scratch if hired and not rely on the drawings they did for the feasibility study. Bernadette said she thought K&K's presentation felt like they assumed they would get it. Skipper noted that K&K honed in immediately on the site being the biggest challenge. Richard said that the energy committee was concerned about K&K's commitment to energy conservation. Jen noted that she felt K&K would be as energy conscious as we asked them to be. Bethany said she felt more comfortable communicating with K&K and she thought the Focus Group info would be useful for them in terms of the needs of seniors. Jen noted that Bethany's comment gelled a thought in her head that there was something about the BH&A interview that left her uncomfortable but was hard to articulate. She added that she didn't feel that K&K came into the interview feeling like they already had the job, she said they are always low-key and that is just their style. Mike said his company can work with whoever was chosen but they find that working with a small firm, especially one they have a working history with results in a great product.

K. Logue motioned to enter into negotiations with K&K and further to negotiate with BH&A if an agreement cannot be reached with K&K. B. Lyons seconded the motion. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Rand