

TOWN OF TRURO Truro Housing Authority P.O. Box 2030, Truro, MA 02666-2030

TRURO HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2018 TRURO TOWN HALL 4:15 PM

THA MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Grunwald, Carl Brotman, Mary Rose, Susan Todd, Mark Wisotzky

OTHERS PRESENT: Vicki Goldberg and Elizabeth Wade, Habitat for Humanity; Paul Wisotzky, Select Board; Leedara Zola, Truro Housing Consultant via phone

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the previous THA meeting on October 11, 2018 were approved. Moved Mary Rose; second Carl Brotman. Unanimous

STATUS OF 181 RT 6—REVIEW OF TIMELINE

Vicki Goldsmith and Elizabeth Wade from Habitat for Humanity reviewed with the committee the background timeline for the Habitat houses planned for the site at 181 Rt. 6 since 2013/14. See attached materials provided by Habitat, but in brief summary: An abutter appealed the Zoning Board's issuance of the Comprehensive Permit. The result of the initial court proceedings sent the decision back to the ZBA for further review. The ZBA reviewed issues on slope and drainage, and reviewed engineering reports from Habitat, the abutter, and also an engineer hired by the Town. ZBA approved Habitat's plan. The abutter then appealed this second ZBA decision. This second ZBA decision appeal is now working through the legal process with a pretrial hearing set for December 7, 2018 and the trial to take place in the new year. This process can take time. The THA has extended the allotted time for this project for another year and will send a written statement to that effect to Habitat for Humanity.

STATUS OF THE CLOVERLEAF PROPOSALS AND THE SELECTION PROCESS

Two development groups submitted proposals for the Cloverleaf apartments. The committee that will review and evaluate these plans has been formed and will meet on November 26, 2018. Committee members are Kevin Grunwald and Carl Brotman from THA, Paul Wisotzky and Bob Weinstein from the Select Board, Adrian Cyr from the community/Highland Affordable Housing.

Rae Ann Palmer, Town Manager and Leedara Zola, Housing Consultant will be the town staff members completing the group. Next will be a public presentation to the Select Board potentially of both proposals with the committee's recommendations. The Select Board will make the final decision. It is hoped that the developer will be selected by the end of this year, though this might be an optimistic goal. Once the developer has been selected, meetings will be set up with the developer to set goals and focus on the design, with the aim to meet Truro's wishes for this project.

REPORT FROM THE HOUSING ASSISTANCE CORPORATION (HAC) : HOUSING ON CAPE COD: THE HIGH COST OF DOING NOTHING

Kevin Grunwald and Carl Brotman sent out a copy of this report to all THA members for discussion. All agreed it is an excellent and clear presentation of the need for affordable housing on the cape. THA will attempt to make copies of this report available to the town.

CAPE HOUSING INSTITUTE

Kevin Grunwald will be participating in the quarterly meeting of the Outer Cape follow up meeting for this important affordable housing educational program on Wednesday, November 14th in Provincetown.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10. Moved Carl Brotman, second Mark Wisotzky.

The next THA meeting will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 4:15 at Truro Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Susan Todd, Secretary

