

Weston Affordable Housing Trust Minutes
January 6, 2021

Housing Trust Members Present (“HT”):, Tom Timko, Buzzy Price, Michael Price, Kenneth Newberg, Sarah Rhatigan, Susan Haber, Harvey Boshart

Also Present: Liz Valenta (RHSO), Kathleen O’Donnell, Counsel to Housing Trust, Neil Levitt, prospective associate member of Housing Trust

Ken Newberg , Acting Chair, summarized Governor Baker’s March 11, 2020 Executive Order to suspend certain aspects of the OML, in order to allow this meeting to proceed using Zoom.

Item 1: Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Item 2: Minutes:

The minutes of December 16, 2020 were approved by Roll Call Vote: Rhatigan-aye, Haber-aye, T. Price-aye, M. Price-aye, Timko-aye, Newberg-aye, Boshart-aye.

Item 3: 0 Wellesley Street-Project update and Potential Vote to approve Purchase and Sale Agreement:

Kathleen O’Donnell discussed the changes that she made to the Agreement, per the discussion at the last Housing Trust Meeting. Michael continued to have a number of issues with the Agreement, however, Sarah and Kathleen were satisfied that it accomplished the Trust’s goals. Sarah made the motion, seconded by Susan, to approve the revised P & S Agreement with Habitat for Humanity. Roll Call Vote: Rhatigan-aye, Newberg-aye, Timko-aye, M. Price-no, B. Price-aye, Haber-aye. Roll Call Vote: Motion made by Ken, seconded by Susan, to authorize Sarah on behalf of the Trust to sign the P & S with Habitat for Humanity for the parcel at 0 Wellesley Street. Rhatigan-aye, M. Price-no, T. Price-aye, Timko-aye, Haber-aye, Newberg-aye, Boshart-aye. Sarah suggested that Michael prepare a brief E-Mail that listed his concerns.

Item 4: Discussion and potential vote to recommend/approve new associate Housing Trust member:

Trust Members discussed the qualifications of Neill Levitt and roll call vote taken to approve as new associate member of the Housing Trust: Rhatigan-aye, M. Price-aye, T. Price-aye, Newberg-aye, Timko-aye, Haber-aye, Boshart-aye.

Jonathan Schwartz, the other associate member candidate, will be asked to attend the next Housing Trust Meeting, when the vote will be taken.

Item 5: Other General Committee Business:

- Status of Ch. 40B. Project at # 851 Boston Post Road-appealed to Superior Court, complaint against the ZBA
- Update on HPP Webinar and upcoming focus group

- Re-visiting last HPP
- Next HT Meeting 1/19/21 @ 8:30 AM. WAHFI will present their proposed project for Birch Lane.

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