

WESTON AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST
ZOOM MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 8:00 am

Trustees: Sarah Like Rhatigan, Susananne Haber, Thomas Timko, Neil Levitt, Thalia Price, Jonathan Schwartz (Assoc. Trustee)

Also present: Christine McKenna Lok of RHSO

Sarah Rhatigan called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM and read the following:

Under current state law public bodies may continue holding hybrid and fully remote meetings, without a quorum of the public body physically present, as long as adequate, alternative access is provided. Information about how to join a hybrid or fully remote hearing will be included in the required Open Meeting Law posting.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Public comment: none

Warren Ave Budget: Manager Monyette Vickers walked the Trustees through projected expenses for FY24. The Trust will wait to vote until the next meeting, when they plan to have the Trust's entire FY24 budget, showing income as well as expenses. Christine will ask Weston Finance Director Susan Kelley about adding a \$10,000 contingency fund for repairs that are likely to be needed but hard to predict specifically.

Minutes from September 6, 2023: After discussion of two edits, Susan moved to approve the minutes as amended. Buzzy seconded. Approved 6-0-0.

Home Repair Small Grants: Sarah Rhatigan will present the proposal to Select Board next week. She will recommend three possibilities for funding: the Greatlands donation to Weston for affordable housing and other town needs, a windfall payment when an affordable unit was sold at market rate and dropped from the town's Subsidized Housing Inventory, or fall town meeting.

Greatland Committee: The Housing Trust gets a seat on a committee that is forming to plan affordable housing at the former Liberty Mutual site. Neil Levitt volunteered and was appointed unanimously 6-0-0.

Topics not anticipated:

- Brook School thinking about adding two apartments in basement of Building A
- Sunrise presenting to the Historical Commission tonight
- Weston All-Committee Meeting on Oct 14: Neil will be the Trust's representative [NOTE: this meeting was moved to November 4th at 8:30 AM]

Next meeting: October 3 at 8 AM

Adjourned at 9:30 AM