

Town of West Boylston

140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583

The Affordable Housing Trust Meeting Minutes August 11, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert J. Barrell, Marc Frieden, Anna Mary Kraemer, Patricia Halpin, Marsha Cairns, Chris Rucho

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Femia, Chris Berglund, Ellen S. Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. Wellington

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6:02. This meeting was held by Zoom. Roll called with the above members answering present.

The minutes of the July 7, 2022 were reviewed and approved on a motion by Ms. Cairns and seconded by Ms. Kraemer. This motion was approved by all present.

LDS Associates is in the process of reviewing the Subsidized Housing Inventory. The process includes review of existing documents, interviewing the building inspector and planning board. It is imperative that accurate information is maintained as it is necessary to preserve the existing units and it is necessary that the correct numbers are reported as it impacts percentage of state mandated affordable housing the Town must entertain for development.

The Affordable Housing Trust has petitioned the Community Preservation Committee for \$25,000.00. This request will be heard at the next CPC meeting and approved by the October Town Meeting.

At a recent Select Board meeting, Mr. Venincasa requested a sewer extension for 18 Malden Street. 18 Malden Street is not served by sewer. Mr. Venincasa hinted that he may build a 40B development on about 17 acres. No details were made available as to the type and number of units. In the discussion that followed a number of issues must be addressed including impacts on the sewer, schools, traffic, and open space. An information session shall be scheduled with the town departments to dive into the impacts. At this time more information is required from the developer.

The next meeting to be determined. Mr. Rucho moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. This motion was seconded by Mr. Frieden and approved by all.

Respectfully submitted: Robert J. Barrell