

Weston Affordable Housing Trust

Minutes for April 4, 2018 Meeting

Housing Trust Members Present (“HT”): Chair Sarah Rhatigan, Buzzy Price, Michael Price, Hugh Jones, Susan Haber, Ken Newberg

Also Present: Liz Valenta (RHSO), Leslie Glynn

Item 1: Public Comment: Suggestion to meet with Alice Peisch at her open session regarding land owned by the State and its potential use for affordable housing.

Item 2: Approve Meeting Minutes :

The minutes of March 5th and March 21st, 2018 were approved.

Item 3: Brook School – Status of proposal for 14 new units. On hold as Elderly Housing Committee pulled funding application from CPC.

Item 4: 0 Wellesley St.: There is a warrant article to transfer municipal property to Trust. Discussed possibility of 4-6 units within 2 structures. There was agreement that we definitely need to have a conversation with the neighbors.

Item 5: Boston Properties - Planning board recommended 200 units for housing and 150,000 sf for office space. Boston Properties recommended 275 units for housing and 195,000 sf office space. Restricted vs non restricted housing remains an unresolved issue. Selectman meeting for further discussion.

Item 6. Warren Avenue: rent structure and income policy. The rent structure is very complicated – (1) what should new rent structure be (2) how to deal with existing tenants who are paying less (3) is there consistency between similar units. For underpaying tenants should increase be tied to Cost of Living Index (COLI). We agreed we needed a new formula which should be presented at the next meeting.

Item 7. HT Affordable Home-Ownership Opportunity Fund - will be discussed at next meeting.

The next meeting will be scheduled for April 25, 2018 at 7:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Buzzy Price, Clerk Pro Tem