

## **Oak Bluffs Affordable Housing Committee**

03.20.08 @ 10am

Members present: Chariman Ron DiOrio, John Bradford, James Westervelt(recorder)

Absent: Harvey Beth, Ann Margetson

Guests:Jennifer Jenkinson, David Vigneault

Minutes of 12.13.07 were read and accepted.

### **Item Resident Homesite**

Jennifer Jenkinson is the owner of a Resident Homesite lot on 33 Sunset Road. She has owned the lot for three years and would like to sell it to buy a new house. Mortgage is held by Martha's Vineyard Savings Bank, she paid \$219,500.

She was told we would have to do some research and advise her after we look into the matter. We then discussed options. It was decided that we need to find the records and deed restrictions (if any). Jim will look into the land records. The town doesn't have any records at this time. Ron remarked that the BOS appointed themselves to be the Resident Homesite Committee at the last BOS meeting. The reason for this action was to transfer responsibility from the RHS committee to the AHC. Due to the confusion over the years and loss of records there needs to be an inventory of Resident Homesite land that has been sold with their respective restrictions. This land should also be monitored to ensure the restrictions are being enforced.

Ron suggested we enlist DCRHA to manage this for us. David V. said he would look into land records and try to inventory them.

### **Item Bradley Square**

The Bradley Square project is to go before the MVC tonight in their DRI process. Ron suggested the BOS will need input from us for the buyers selection process. David Vigneault of the DCRHA was with us to discuss this process. He suggested we need to come up a criteria guided by "Fair Housing Practices", 40B lottery guidelines. We can still have local preferences and be weighted for things such as town employees. Other items to be factored would be income and family size. We will be needing input from the Arts Association for the four live/work affordable studios. He further suggested that we have 3 to 5 preferences and a mandatory home buyer training course.

John suggested that we separate out the selection of the live/work from the other affordable units and hold two separate lotteries

Ron will get a meeting of the AHC, BOS, DCRHA, and the "arts district" assoc. to discuss criteria and input.

We agreed to read over the material David V. handed out and discuss this at our next meeting.

### **Item Warrant Article**

The motion to place on the town warrant and article to reimburse the Island Housing Trust \$7,243 for stepping up and saving 27 Sunset Ave from foreclosure and thus saving it for affordable housing, was not done. Ron stated that with the budget so tight he would not ask the BOS to request the monies at this time.

### **Item Old Library**

Ron will be meeting with Michael Dutton and Richie Combra to crunch the numbers on the old library project. Alice Boyd our grant writer needs the numbers "crunched".

### **Item Town Counsel and the Doughnut Hole**

Ron will check with Ron Rappaport's office and follow up on work being done on clearing up the title of the land in question.

Meeting Adjourned 11:50 am

Next meeting 04.03.08 at 10 am