WAYLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Board of Commissioners Meeting September 20, 2012 Bent Park, Wayland, MA

Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioners present: M. Antes, R. Ashton, J. Ducharme, K. Goodwin

Absent S. Weinstein

Staff present: WHA Executive Director B. Boggia, WHA Program Administrator Lynn Poisson

Bent Park Residents: Denise Fortin, Lionel Riendeau

Chair M. Antes called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Public Comment

D. Fortin asked for an explanation on the proposed consolidation of public housing authorities as proposed by Governor Patrick. B. Boggia responded that initial readings suggest that the WHA will not be affected because the WHA no longer administers state housing programs. That could change in the future as the consolidation legislation and implementation unfolds.

Minutes

The minutes of 7/19/12 need to be transcribed and no action was taken.

Rill Warrant

K. Goodwin moved to approve the bill warrant of June 2012, J. Ducharme seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously. (2012.38)

J. Ducharme moved to approve the bill warrant for July 2012, K. Goodwin seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously (2012.39)

R. Ashton entered the meeting.

Executive Director Report

The Board reviewed the Executive Director's report. Discussion included the HUD Fraud Hotline report, tenant evictions, and budget comparatives.

Affordable Housing Trust Fund and Foreclosed Properties

J. Ducharme reported on a proposed affordable housing trust fund working committee and the possibility of procuring distressed properties for conversion into affordable housing. The goal is to draft an affordable housing trust fund article for Annual Town Meeting. M. Antes said the Wayland Housing Partnership voted for a formal committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen with representation from specific committees and if the Selectmen wanted to include citizens on the committee that they represent all areas of town.

The Wayland Housing Partnership invites the WHA to a joint meeting on October 10, 2012. The purpose is discuss affordable housing activities with Selectman Ed Collins who holds the housing portfolio. B. Boggia will post this as a joint meeting between the WHA and the WHP.

Dudley Area Advisory Committee

There is no update on the Dudley Area Advisory Committee

Habitat Stonebridge

M. Antes gave an update on the progress of the Habitat affordable duplexes on Stonebridge Road. Fundraising has been going well. A large fundraising event is scheduled for 10/20/12 at Russell's Garden Center.

Annual Report to the Town

B. Boggia noted some housing highlights to include in the annual report. He will prepare a draft and have S. Weinstein review.

Mission Statement

J. Ducharme offered to work on a revised mission statement and incorporate goals and objectives.

Other Business

K. Goodwin reported on a housing conference he recently attended. Participants learned about housing programs for disabled residents, how to apply and conduct a housing search, tips for advocates and reasonable accommodation.

Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 10/25/12 at Town Building.
Adjourn R. Ashton moved to adjourn, K. Goodwin seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously. (2012.40)
Attested: Brian E. Boggia, Secretary to the Board