

## Minutes of the Wayland Housing Partnership 10/12/2010

The monthly meeting of the Wayland Housing Partnership convened at 7:45 p.m. October 12, 2010. Members present were Chr. Betty Salzberg, Rachel Bratt, Mary Antes, Marty Nichols, Maddie Sifantus, Dan Brown, and Kathleen Boundy.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair who presented the agenda. A motion (Boundy; Safantus) made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 13, 2010 was unanimous.

The group next reviewed the proposed articles for the November special Town Meeting. Following a brief discussion, the members agreed to defer on all articles except Article D of the proposed Town Warrant.

Some of the history of the proposed Article D, including information about the prior loss of the State grant from Massachusetts Housing Partnership to examine feasibility of using some of the property described in Article D for affordable housing was recounted by Mary Antes and Betty Salzberg, who has represented the WHP at numerous meetings convened since the last Special Town Meeting with respect to the Town owned property at Dudley Pond as described in Article D of the proposed Town Warrant. Following a discussion concerning the diverse viewpoints and interests of different groups and individuals who have been meeting to discuss a proposed study of the Town owed property described in Article D, it was agreed by consensus that the members of the WHP ought to set forth a position reflecting the Partnership's continuing commitment to affordable housing that would be shared with other Town committees.

A motion (Bratt) (second: Nichols) was made to adopt the following position:

“We support the spirit of Article D Area Land Study Funding. However, we support an amendment that would reduce the funding requested from \$75K to \$40K . Our reasoning is as follows: The Massachusetts Housing Partnership has awarded the Town funding to carry out a study that would explore the feasibility of septic facility siting as well as affordable housing and open space. Funding from the state, combined with the reduced amount requested under this article would then total \$75K.”

Following a brief discussion among the members, the motion passed unanimously.

Rachel Bratt described the planned program scheduled for the evening of October 27<sup>th</sup> addressing MA State Referendum Question 2 that pertains to the repeal of G.L. c. 40B. Mary Antes described the outreach undertaken by the League of Women Voters from Wayland and Sudbury who were sponsoring the educational opportunity.

The meeting adjourned (motion by Boundy, Sifantis) at 9:25 p.m.