

West Boylston Affordable Housing Trust
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2014

Members present: Robert J. Barrell, Marc Frieden, John Hadley and Patricia Halpin and Anna Mary Kraemer

Also present: Dave Femia,

Chairperson Patricia Halpin called the meeting to order at 6:04

The meeting minutes of June were read corrected and approved on a motion by Mr. Frieden and seconded by Mr. Hadley. This motion passed by unanimous vote.

In preparation of the October Town meeting Chairperson presented drafts requests for funding the activities of the Affordable Housing Trust. The Trust seeks to be funded by the Community Preservation Fund for two projects. The first project in the amount of \$11,000.00 is to continue to secure funding to engage the services of a Community Housing Specialist. The Community Housing Specialist provides consulting expertise in the area of affordable housing production. The second project in the amount of \$10,000.00 is to develop a feasibility study to look at Town-owned land as a location to build senior affordable housing opportunities. After some discussion Mr. Frieden seconded by Mr. Hadley advanced the motion to approve the above requests and forward same to the Community Preservation Committee. This motion was approved by all.

Two invoices in the amount of \$3169.50 from the Community Housing Specialist were reviewed and conditionally approved. The invoices to be reviewed by the Town Administrator

An update from the Community Housing Specialist Mr. Heaton dated July 31, 2014 was noted. In an effort to document the Community Housing Specialist's work an annual report from the Specialist was suggested.

Members of the Trust are concerned that communications from the Board of Selectman regarding the property at 405 Prospect Street were not heard or explained. In the future the Trust shall encourage a greater exchange of information.

Mr. Barrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:05. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hadley and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted

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