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MINUTES

June 8, 2023 AT 8:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

Housing Trust Members Present: Chair Carmine Gentile, Jessica Cerullo Merrill, Kelley Cronin, Janie Dretler, Sarah Green Vaswani, Cynthia Howe, Robert Hummel and John Riordan.

Housing Trust Members Absent: None

Others Present: Community Preservation Coordinator Ryan Poteat, and Director of the Regional Housing Services Office (RHSO) Liz Rust

Mr. Gentile called the meeting to order at 8:01

Minutes

Mr. Riordan made a motion to approve the minutes of February 9, 2023. Mr. Hummel seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Gentile – Aye, Mr. Hummel – Aye, Ms. Cerullo Merrill – Aye, Ms. Cronin – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, Ms. Green Vaswani – Aye, Ms. Howe – Aye, and, Mr. Riordan – Aye.

Mr. Riordan made a motion to approve the minutes of March 9, 2023. Ms. Dretler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Gentile – Aye, Mr. Hummel – Aye, Ms. Cerullo Merrill – Aye, Ms. Cronin – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, Ms. Green Vaswani – Aye, Ms. Howe – Aye, and, Mr. Riordan – Aye.

Ms. Dretler made a motion to approve the minutes of April 13, 2023. Mr. Hummel seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Gentile – Aye, Mr. Hummel – Aye, Ms. Cerullo Merrill – Aye, Ms. Cronin – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, Ms. Green Vaswani – Aye, Ms. Howe – Aye, and, Mr. Riordan – Aye.

Ms. Dretler made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2023. Ms. Cronin seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Gentile – Aye, Mr. Hummel – Abstain, Ms. Cerullo Merrill – Aye, Ms. Cronin – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, Ms. Green Vaswani – Aye, Ms. Howe – Aye, and, Mr. Riordan – Aye.

Financial Update

Ms. Rust presented the financial update for the March transactions. This was informational and did not require a vote.

Hillside Place

There was discussion about the Housing Trust doing a site visit. The abutting property owners claim the street is a private way which if is true would land-lock all of the plots. The property owner or a designee would need to be available in order to access the property.

67-73 Nobscot Road

There was conversation about next steps. Staff and Mr. Gentile will reach out to contacts representing this property. There will be a special meeting on June 22nd dedicated to this topic.

Public Comment

Pat Brown 34 Whispering Pine Road suggested that supporting materials be made public prior to public meetings. After discussion the general consensus was that providing working/draft documents to the public could be confusing and inefficient. Completed documents will continue to be posted after all requested edits have been made and approved.

Ms. Dretler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Howe seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Gentile – Aye, Mr. Hummel – Abstain, Ms. Cerullo Merrill – Aye, Ms. Cronin – Aye, Ms. Dretler – Aye, Ms. Green Vaswani – Aye, Ms. Howe – Aye, and, Mr. Riordan – Aye.

The meeting ended at 9:25 AM