

## MINUTES

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2018

3:00PM

#### 2 Fairgrounds Road Conference Room

**Board Members Present:** Brian Sullivan (Chairman), Linda Williams (Vice Chair), Rita Higgins, John Trudel III, Reema Sherry

**Board Members Not Present:** Brooke S. Mohr

**Others Present:** Tucker Holland, Megan Trudel, Judi Barrett (via phone conference)

- I. Brian Sullivan called the meeting to order at 3:15PM
- II. Motion to approve agenda by Rita Higgins, seconded by Reema Sheery- motion carried unanimously.
- III. Judi Barrett joined via phone conference to assist discussion on Town Meeting prep
  - a. There were not major comments or suggestions from the last meeting
  - b. Judi Barrett advised that if articles pertinent to the Trust were called, the Trust should have a presence and show leadership/
  - c. The group discussed keeping talking points not project specific, stress the need for affordable housing, using numbers and not percentages
  - d. Reema Sherry stated that the need for housing on Nantucket has been studied and documented since the 1980s
  - e. The group discussed who should be the designated speakers for the AHTF
  - f. The group reviewed the draft document for hand out Town Meeting. The edits were all grammatical.
  - g. Tucker Holland and Reema Sherry will make updates
- IV. Discussion on hiring Judi Barrett for consulting/training
  - a. Judi Barrett quoted approx.. \$19,000 for continued consulting and training for the AHTF
  - b. Linda Williams suggested that, if everyone works together, the tools to succeed are already there.
  - c. Brian Sullivan spoke in favor of hiring Judi Barrett, stating that the group needs to be able to move forward in a constructive manner.
  - d. Tucker Holland compared the quote to spending in the past and suggested the lump sum was comparable to spending that has been spread over time in the past.

- e. John Trudel motioned to approve hiring Judi Barrett for training and consulting sessions-the motion was seconded by Rita Higgins. The motion passed 4-1, with Rita Higgins, Reema Sherry, John Trudel, and Brian Sullivan for and Linda Williams abstaining.
  - f. Judi Barrett left the telephone conference at 3:58 PM
- V. Open meeting concluded and was moved to executive Session at 4:05PM