

Harvard Municipal Affordable Housing Trust
Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2015

Members in Attendance: David Hopper, Evelyn Neuburger, Leo Blair, Barbara Brady

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by the vice chair at 7:32 pm

Public Comments: Comments included the following

- Concerns about the Trust process and transparency-events moved rapidly
- The MetroWest plan was not in keeping with character of the town and neighborhood
- The need for Trust and community to work together
- Purchase and Sale meant project moving forward
- Minutes from 2013 are not on Town website
- How did the Trust reach the decision to sell the Littleton Road property
- There are people in town with skills and time to be involved (subcommittee etc)

Trust Reply:

- The request for a draft P&S from the developer did not mean that the project was moving forward. The Trust asked the developer to consider a revised proposal with lower density. In response the developer requested a draft P&S delineating the other terms the Trust would be looking for as a precondition to spending time and money on a revised proposal.
- Assumptions appear to have been made by the general public about the status of the project that were not based on fact.

Approval of minutes: Blair moved that the minutes of the December 8 meeting be approved as amended.

Neuburger seconded

Motion carried

Hopper moved that the minutes of the December 22 Executive Session be accepted as written. Motion carried with one abstention (Brady).

Treasurer's Report : The Trust has opened a bank account with Salem Five and will be paying invoices from that account. The treasurer does not need approval for paying invoices received.

Blair moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted

Neuburger seconded

Motion carried

Blair moved that the meeting adjourn pending full membership attendance. The motion did not pass.

Planning Board Representative: The Trust Chair received an inquiry from the Planning Board offering to have a Planning Board member at Trust meetings and nominated Michelle Catalina. Discussion that the Trust charter does not include such an appointment as an official position. The representative from the Planning Board stated that she was not there in a formal capacity.

Trust Candidate: Hopper introduced Manny Lindo as a candidate for membership on the Trust. Manny has lived on Littleton Road for 20 years. He is a licensed architect, having worked on a broad spectrum of projects. He is invited to the next Trust meeting.

Blair moved that the Trust continue in Executive session for the purpose of considering the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; reconvening for the sole purpose of adjournment. Neuburger seconded

Roll vote

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| Blair | Aye |
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| Neuburger | Aye |
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| Hopper | Aye |
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| Brady | Aye |
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Motion carried.

Blair moved to adjourn. Hopper seconded. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm

Next meeting: January 26, 7:30 pm