## Harvard Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Meeting Minutes – September 14, 2015 Open Session

**Members in Attendance:** Evelyn Neuburger, Leo Blair, Manny Lindo, Bruce Nickerson Greg Schmidt (arrive 7:45 pm), Mark Lanza (arrive 8:20 pm)

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Typos in the July 15 minutes were corrected. Blair moved to accept the July 15 minutes as amended. Lindo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Blair moved to accept the minutes of the July 15 Executive Session minutes as written. Lindo seconded. Motion carried. Nickerson asked about releasing these minutes. Blair moved to release the July 15 Executive Session minutes to the public. Neuburger seconded. Motion carried with one abstention (Nickerson).

**Treasurer's Report:** Two payments were made; insurance and mortgage. There was an issue in locating mortgage & bank statements. Statements are being delivered to Town Hall. Lindo will speak to the clerk at Town Hall. Replacement statements were received from the bank.

**Audit Contract:** George McKenna submitted a bid for auditing of Trust books in the amount of \$2250. Blair moved to accept the proposal and to authorize the Chair and Treasurer to sign on behalf of the Trust. Neuburger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**CPC Request:** Nickerson moved that the Trust formally approve a request to the CPC for an amount equal to 10% of funds to be used for housing. Blair seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Additional Trustees:** The Board of Selectmen has discussed a reduction in the number of boards and committees. It may be that Selectmen will be appointed to fill open Trust memberships. The Board of Selectmen needs to discuss the mechanics of such a transition. If the more than two Selectmen were to be appointed to the Trust, some current Trustees would need to resign. Nickerson requested that members let him know of their interest in continuing/resigning if the Selectmen move forward. Please respond privately to Nickerson. No action will be taken to fill open positions at this time.

Great Elms Update: The farm house will be torn down. Units being built will have fewer bedrooms.

**Littleton Road Update:** Nickerson moved that the Trust enter into executive session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. Following the executive session, the Trust will reconvene in open session only to adjourn. Mark Lanza and Susan Buck to remain at the Executive session. Neuburger seconded.

Roll call vote: Neuburger Aye

Blair Aye Lindo Aye Nickerson Aye Schmidt Aye

Motion carries.

Blair moved to adjourn. Schmidt seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:50 pm