

## JOINT TISBURY SELECT BOARD AND TISBURY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Monday, January 30, 2023 at 4:30 PM Roy Cutrer, John Cahill, Abbe Burt VIRTUAL MEETING

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Cahill, Roy Cutrer, Abbe Burt

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Seidman, Victor Capoccia, Abbe Burt, Elaine

Miller, Jean Hay

STAFF PRESENT: John Grande, Town Administrator, Elena De Foe, Executive Assistant

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Roy Cutrer called the Select Board meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Chair Daniel Seidman called the Affordable Housing Committee meeting to order at 4:31 PM.

## DISCUSSION

Priorities for Calendar Year 2023, Committee and Trust Appointments, Committees Objectives Mr. Capoccia presented some of the priorities for the Affordable Housing Committee: specifics directions the Committee want to go into, re-examining the charge, the need for staffing which is both of clerical and technical nature. He stated the committee has questions about the size of the committee.

Mr. Grande explained that in 2003 a mission statement was established with 7 members. The Town Administrator and Select Board are trying to not be members of boards but rather use the Town Administrator as a resource outside of the committee. The Select Board would like to have the Committee's records at the Select Board's office so they would be easily accessible for review and retention. Mr. Grande stated there was money for clerical support in the Select Board budget in the past and it can be done again which will not affect the warrant article submitted. He asked the Committee if they would like to reduce the number of members or keep it at 7? Ms. Burt recommended to keep the membership at 7 members as follows: one planning board representative, one dukes county representative and the rest of the members at large. She announced there are two new letters of interest.

Ms. Miller agrees with Ms. Burt.

Mr. Capoccia also supports a 7-member committee and recommend overlap with Community Preservation Committee.

Ms. Hay is also in favor of a 7-member committee.

Pam Bennett clarified there is an add in the paper and there are three letters of interest.

Mr. Grande explained that once the charge is finalized it will be voted and approved at the Select Bard meeting. Dan Seidman read the committee's charge.

The TAHC is charged to educate, communicate, plan, advocate, advise and build consensus for policies, practices, that support their mission statement, preserve, increases access to and increases the supply of affordable housing. The TAHC shares with the Tisbury Housing Trust the mission of meeting the housing needs of individuals and households who meet defined income requirements. In contrast with the Tisbury Housing Trust, which undertakes specific projects to create and preserve housing, the Affordable Housing Committee takes a broad and long-term perspective on needs, policies, and strategies. The TAHC advises the THT, other Town advisory and regulatory bodies, and the Select Board on the impact of policies, strategies, and specific actions for low- and moderateincome housing. THAC further works and interacts with other island boards, groups and organizations that support same mission statement.

Jean Hay asked if the Committee is in charge of keeping track of affordable housing units? Mr. Capoccia believes that if the committee put in the housing production plan that will keep track of the units. Ms. Miller made the recommendation to monitor the affordable housing units. Would like to see more of a

specific plan on a yearly basis as to how the committee will interact with other parties.

Mr. Capoccia made a motion to recommend to the Select Board the charge as read by Dean Seidman and further motioned that the housing production plan be included in the committee's responsibilities under objectives and strategies, incorporate the amendment that the funding for the clerical function and position is incorporated in a Select Board account, and the funding for the technical position is in the warrant article. Ms. Miller seconded. Roll Call Vote. The vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Budget and Staffing for Fiscal Year 2024

Ms. Burt made the motion to recommend to the Select Board that the housing committee consists of 7 members, one from planning board, one from Dukes County Regional Housing Authority and five at large. Ms. Miller seconded. Roll Call Vote. The vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

2023 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Mr. Seidman explained that the warrant article is for technical services which is anything but minutes taking.

Mr. Cahill asked what is technical services?

Mr. Capoccia responded that it is intended to be a professional position, someone with substantive knowledge and experience with affordable housing. It is not technical in the sense of engineer but rather a professional.

Mr. Cahill suggested using the word research instead of technical. He believes the residents of Tisbury may be more comfortable voting for something that is better defined.

Mr. Seidman asked Laura Silber if it is possible for all the towns to vote to share a position at the Martha's Vineyard Commission?

Ms. Silber responded that would be beneficial for the towns and it is possible. She recommended that the town looks at the ADU (Accessible Housing Dwelling Units) by right bill because it may be passed by the State legislator. She promised to send the bill to the Committee.

Ms. Burt motioned to approve the Affordable Housing Committee minutes from January 10, 2023 with Ms. Miller's change that Richard Leonard is Mark Leonard. Ms. Capoccia seconded. Roll Call Vote. The vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

It was decided to meet every third Monday of the month at 4:00PM. Next meeting will be February 6, 2023 at 4:00PM.

## MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Miller made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Burt seconded. Affordable Housing Meeting adjourned at 5:39PM. Roll Call Vote. The vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Member Cahill made a motion to adjourn. Member Burt seconded. Select Board Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM. Roll Call Vote. The vote was 3 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

Meeting Minutes Recorded by Executive Assistant Elena De Foe

Meeting Minutes Approved March 15, 2023

Roy cutrer

Chair

John Cahitt

Vice Chair

Abbe Burt

Clerk