

Provincetown Community Housing Council
Joint Meeting with Planning Board at Town Hall, 260 Commercial Street
September 24, 2015

7:05 p.m.

Members Present: Donna Szeker, Rev. Brenda Haywood, & Susan Cook

Inclusionary Zoning & Planning Board Meeting: general discussion of the proposed inclusionary zoning by-law. The purpose of creating an inclusionary zoning by-law is to create an incentive for the private sector to create housing -- especially in towns that do not have 10% on the 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory. Options include creating units or contributing to a Housing Trust. Anybody that makes a profit from housing has to give to the housing trust. This would apply to any new dwelling.

The CHC had questions about where funds in lieu of building affordable housing would be designated; the proposed by-law will designate specifically for affordable/community housing and would it go to the Affordable Housing Trust? There was a question about whether the Affordable Housing Trust money could be used for renovations or foreclosures. CHC also asked about the value of a payment in lieu as opposed to creating a unit and whether this would be a consideration in approving a special permit. There was discussion about including the CHC in reviewing special permit applications and make recommendations based on types of housing needed. There was general agreement to work together with the Planning Board to create more affordable/community housing opportunities.

Adjourned 8:18 pm

Submitted by: Susan Cook & Donna Szeker