

# Provincetown Community Housing Council

Grace Gouveia Building

March 15, 2010

## 10:30 a.m.

Members Present: Joe Carleo, Molly Perdue, and Cathy Reno Brouillet

Excused absence: Arturo Alon

Staff: Community Housing Specialist Michelle Jarusiewicz, Assistant Town Manager David Gardner

Member Arturo Alon recuperating from surgery

**Public Statements:** Housing Authority Executive Director Patrick Manning presented a request from the Housing Authority to borrow funds from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund as part of their effort to acquire .699 acres for senior housing adjacent to the Maushope property at 15 Aunt Sukey's Way. It would be part of a joint acquisition with open space where the larger section of a 3 acres parcel would be retained as open space. The Housing Authority is in the process of selling property at 951 Commercial Street to finance this acquisition, but the funds need to be available at time of town meeting. The request is for a loan from the AHTF to fund the affordable housing share of the purchase until such time as the sale of 951 Commercial Street happens or alternate funding is found. Negotiations are ongoing and confidential but expect the housing share to be in the range of \$225,000 - \$250,000 and the minimum bid for 951 Commercial Street is \$299,000. At this time there is just over \$194,000 in the AHTF, less than the amount needed. The Housing Authority expects to cover the difference with other funding that they have available. As far as construction start time, that will depend on funding sources. No funds in hand.

Members Molly Perdue and Cathy Reno Brouillet indicated that both are members of the Housing Authority, one as their rep, and questioned if there would be a conflict if they voted on the matter. A call to the Town Clerk's office indicated that they thought they could vote but could clarify later.

Joe Carleo MOVE that the Community Housing Council commit to lend the Housing Authority \$190,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the acquisition of 15 Aunt Sukey's Way to be paid back when alternate funding is in hand; second by Molly Perdue; approved 3-0.

## **Community Housing Specialist Report:**

**Housing Office Budget:** The Community Preservation Committee approved the Housing Office budget on 3/2/10: \$34,309 from the CPA funds; next step town meeting.

**90 Shank Painter Rd.:** The Community Preservation Committee did NOT approve TCB's request for \$90,000 [total project costs \$250,000- \$400,000] in CPA funding for a geothermal component for the project.

Received an email from Jan Brodie of TCB regarding federal quick start funds which will allow them to start the project more quickly and is part of their tax credit application. It then returns to the town as potential foreclosure assistance fund. Needs further discussion and information including will the funds go into the AHTF? When might they be available? Need to consult with others regarding foreclosure and housing assistance programs.

**83 Shank Painter Rd.:** The BOS approved the grant agreement on 3/8/10.

**Stable Path:** [No change] Stable Path will be submitted to ZBA for a Comprehensive Permit under Chapter 40B. Application for funding to State will be in next round after 40B approval.

**33 Court Street/PHA:** [No change] Construction is well underway with the exterior work largely complete and the interior work underway. On 1/12/10, the CHC approved a grant agreement for the \$20,000 in funds authorized from the AH Trust Fund which was approved by the Board of Selectmen on 1/25/10.

**The Meadows:** The CH Specialist continues monitoring efforts of The Meadows including meeting with FAWC on 2/24/10 and ongoing dialogue with FAWC and CHR regarding process and forms for certifications.

**Upcoming dates:**

4/5/10 6:00 pm

**TOWN MEETING**

**GRANT ADMINISTRATION:**

MCDBG-R CDF 08: Attended USDA Water & Wastewater grants summit staff meeting with consultants on 3/9/10. Participated in webinar on ARRA reporting 3/10/10.

MHC: Attended staff meeting at Library on 3/2/10 regarding finishing the project. Attended Mass Historic workshop on grant application for library on 3/11/10 in Boston; application due 4/9/10.

**Minutes**

Cathy Reno Brouillet moved to accept minutes for 2/22/10; second by Joe Carleo; approved 3-0.

**Next Meeting:** April 12, 2010, 10:30 am. Cathy noted that she will be out of town March 9-29; Molly will be out of town April 1 – 9.

**Town Meeting:**

Molly Perdue MOVE to support the CPA Housing Office budget request article at town meeting; second by Cathy Reno Brouillet; approved 3-0.

Joe Carleo MOVE to support the article for the acquisition of the property at 15 Aunt Sukey's Way for open space and housing; second by Molly Perdue; approved 3-0.

MOTION to adjourn. 11:08 am.