

Provincetown Community Housing Council
Meeting Minutes: September 8, 2008
Caucus Hall

Members Present: Joe Carleo, Jack McMahon, Cathy Reno Brouillet, Bill Dougal, A.J. Alon and Molly Perdue

Staff: Michelle Jarusiewicz, Community Housing Specialist
Members from the public: none

Meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm.

Public Statements: No members of the public present

Housing Assistance Program: AJ Alon MOVE agenda item #2 to later in the agenda. Cathy Brouillet: Second; approved 4-0.

Local Housing Preference Policy changes: Discussion amongst the Council regarding the need for language updates in the Selectmen's current policy. Change "...employees of the Town..." to "...employees in the Town...". Change "Local Housing Partnership" to "Community Housing Council." Review legal language in proposals for 90 Shank Painter regarding timeframe restrictions. Bring back for future agenda item.

Data: Housing Specialist Jarusiewicz received responses from Community Housing Resource and Interfaith; awaiting information from Lower Cape CDC and Housing Authority. General discussion – is local preference used for selection in rentals/scoring by developers? Can a developer attend a future meeting and explain further – including how does notification list drive planning for projects? Can we find out the general profile of the non-Provincetown people – did they use to live in Provincetown? Did they work in Provincetown? Would they qualify under the local preference policy? How does the number of units in pending projects meet or not meet the need? Mr. Dougal indicated the need for a three year plan. CHR's notification list indicates need for 242 rental bedrooms and 140 ownership bedrooms for a total of 382.

Project Updates: 90 Shank Painter Selection Committee: Met twice. Developer interviews scheduled for September 9, 2008.

Race Point Project: CCC technical hearing soon?

Herring Cove Village: [AJ Alon recused himself as CHR involved in lottery] 2 units, nearing completion October/November. When is lottery? What kind of marketing? Ask for an update and possibly a tour?

Housing Assistance Program: CHS Jarusiewicz distributed package with request for \$10,000 in emergency housing assistance through Interfaith Council for the Homeless now the Homeless Prevention Council. General discussion followed about how the program works; Provincetown approved such funding in 2006. Interfaith provides case management, assesses the situation, and accesses other sources of funds as needed. Reports to the town will be provided. Funds are only used for Provincetown residents and not for administration.

Molly Perdue: MOVE to approve \$10,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for Interfaith Council for emergency housing assistance for Provincetown residents. Cathy Brouillet: second. Approved 6-0.

Other:

AJ Alon indicated that a one-bedroom unit at Old Ann Page Way is available; notification is in the paper, already received 26 requests for applications.

Bill Dougal requested that the Housing Specialist report at the next meeting ideas on how to structure the office, goals, etc. All agreed.

Minutes M Cathy Reno Brouillet MOVE to approve minutes of 8/11/08 as written, seconded by Jack McMahon. VOTE: 4-0-2.

Schedule Next Meeting: Next meeting will be September 22, 2008 at 4:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Jarusiewicz*