

# Provincetown Community Housing Council

Judge Welsh Room ☞ Town Hall 260 Commercial Street

May 27, 2014

6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Ann Maguire, Susan Cook, Rev. Brenda Haywood, Kristin Hatch [7:27]

Excused absence: Donna Szeker

Staff: Community Housing Specialist Michelle Jarusiewicz

*Reconvened from 5:30 pm meeting*

Joint meeting with Board of Selectmen [7:18 pm]:

Tom Donegan: the Housing Summit gave us a lot of momentum. Expect that Housing will be our #1 goal for FY 2015. What can we get to a Special Town Meeting in time for the Community Center – any ideas?

Ann Maguire: the CHC has been working on the Action Plan. We have met with Habitat, CHR, and others. Hoping to begin the Little Fix in July or August. For the Local Voucher program, we need to firm up workshops, the process, and solicit people for the program.

Tom Donegan: For the old Community Center, the original proposal did not go through want to meet to pursue the Community Center, VFW, or old police station.

Ann Maguire: Very interested in pursuing housing at the old Community Center with the 90 Shank Painter model and the Town providing the Land. Invite everyone to CHC meetings for discussion.

Robert Anthony: should reconsider options, obviously community needs rentals and housing. Understand town meeting vote, but a lot has changed since then. The old police station and VFW are very integral.

Raphael Richter: like to consider 3 parcels; there are different needs. Maybe could be town-owned and operated private rentals not bound by grants. Take control of our destiny. Could be incubator, Town housing for residents.

*7:27 pm Kristin hatch joins the meeting.*

Ann Maguire: not focused on affordable or not. Here is a building for housing. There is a learning curve with public/private participation; state funds or not. Before Board of Selectmen decide, please consider housing.

Brenda Haywood: we are losing too many fine folks. This would show that we hear them; that we value them. Win-win situation.

Raphael Richter: hearing low-income housing, we need market rate housing

Tom Donegan: perhaps between 80% and 110% AMI.

Ann Maguire: CHC has made no determination

Raphael Richter: wants housing at all sites.

Erik Yingling: what kind? Senior? Low income? Market? Funding?

Tom Donegan: Set up working group?

Cheryl Andrews: Thank you. Interested about different vision for the Community Center [CC]. It is rare that all members of the Board of Selectmen agree on everything – they all don't want to sell the CC, they do want housing, they do want yearround rentals. Don't limit ourselves. Let's grab the moment – what do we want? Talk about how another day. Statistics show yearround population dropped about 15% between 2000 and 2010.

Tom Donegan: The Cape Light Compact is interested in partnering in the Little Fix program. Think about the need for infrastructure; let's be pro-active in systematic way; must be workable, actionable.

Erik Yingling: probably need to do a municipal bond and need to avoid an override

Tom Donegan: losing more people; opportunity to think big and small

Robert Anthony: great opportunity; should hang on to the Community Center

Raphael Richter: engaging the second homeowner community is very important; need some even this summer or off-season; need to engage them.

Cheryl Andrews: MOVE policy goal of the BOS to 1) stop Town's efforts to sell the old Community Center at 46 Bradford Street, 2) create staff led team to analyze use of yearround housing at the CC as well as 3 Jerome Smith Road/VFW, 3) meet again in 6 weeks; second by Robert Anthony

Erik: concerned with #1

Cheryl: taking a deep breath and sending a message

Raphael: supports

Erik: doesn't want the building to sit around

Tom: not going to happen for free; need to get Town meeting sense of 3 properties; option RFP with deed restriction.

Ann Maguire: been waiting for green light. The CHC can access others including HAC, CHR, etc.

Cheryl Andrews: Motion focus is Community Center

APPROVED 5-0.

Tom Donegan: sense the sale of the Grace Gouveia \$750,000 could be used for community housing efforts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

*Submitted by: Michelle Jarusiewicz, Community Housing Specialist*

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## Public Statements:

Stephen McGowan: architect by background, was reading about the old Bradford Street school as a model for the redevelopment of the old Community Center. He has concerns. First with the concept – using buildings from the past could make Provincetown become a museum; respect heritage, but not re-create it. Second, a 19<sup>th</sup> century school building is not a good model for residential building; 30 units not practical; form does not fit. It should be a 21<sup>st</sup> century building.

Ann Maguire: believe the purpose for looking at the older building is it had a second floor.

Stephen McGowan just trying to help; interested in housing at the site. Are you looking at a budget to look at options?

Ann Maguire – not that far yet. An RFP would be required.

## Board of Selectmen meeting preparation:

Ann Maguire will begin with thank you and move on to discussion about Community Center building. The Town must come forward with preferences.

Thanassi Kuliopulos is also interested in seeing dormitory style housing at the old Community Center. It is a good size building.

Ann Maguire: it is up to the Board of Selectmen; the direction is rental housing.

Meeting adjourned to joint meeting with Board of Selectmen at 5:57 pm

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