

## **Westport Affordable Housing Trust**

Meeting of July 3, 2019

Public Session Minutes

Present: Liz Collins (LC), David West (DW), Henry Lanier (HL), Ann Boxler (AB), BettyAnn Mullins (BM, 2:16 p.m.; Housing Specialist Leonardi Aray (LA). Absent: Warren Messier, James Sabra.

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by the chair, and commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Executive Session**

1. LC proposed that an executive session be held under the provisions of Mass. General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, declaring that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Trust. AB made a motion to enter executive session, seconded by HL. The roll call vote was HL, aye; LC, aye; AB, aye; DW, aye; and BM, aye.

At 2:33 p.m., AB made a motion to leave executive session, and return to public session, seconded by HL; the roll call vote was 5-0: BM, aye; DW, aye; AB, aye; LC, aye; and HL, aye.

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2. HAO Contract Renewals: LA indicated that the office staff was proposing to extend their expiring employment contracts with the Trust for another year, at similar terms and pay rates. BM made a motion to extend the current contracts with Leonardi Aray Architects and administrative assistant Robert Barboza until June 30, 2020, seconded by HL. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

3. Meeting Schedule: By general agreement, it was decided to cancel the planned meeting on Aug. 28; there was some discussion of the need for the Sept. 24 meeting as well. With most members indicating they would attend the scheduled ribbon cutting ceremony at Noquochoke Village on July 23, it was decided to post a Trust meeting for 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23 at Noquochoke Village, and cancel the monthly meeting scheduled for July 24.

AB departed the meeting at 2:40 p.m. At 2:45 p.m., BM made a motion to adjourn the public meeting, seconded by HL. The vote was 4-0 in favor.

Approved: Aug. 21, 2019