

## **Westport Affordable Housing Trust Fund**

Meeting of Oct. 4, 2017 at Town Hall

Present: Members Liz Collins (LC), David West (DW), Craig Dutra (CD), Betty-Ann Mullins (BM); Housing Specialist Leonardi Aray, and recording clerk Robert Barboza. Absent were members James Sabra (JS), Warren Messier (WM), and Henry Lanier (HL).

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 3:10 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The acceptance of deed for the open space parcel was the only agenda item. LA reported that the transfer of the open space parcel is being held up by the Westport Land Conservation Trust's (WLCT) continuing efforts to do its due diligence regarding the hazardous waste liability issue. He indicated that Atty. O'Donnell has suggested that the temporary transfer of the deed for the open space parcel to the Trust would be a practical way to get around this obstacle to closing.

LA reviewed the history of the hazardous materials remediation effort at the Noquochoke Village site, and The Community Builders' acceptance of responsibility for existing clean-up loan costs. He noted that the Mass Development/DEP file on the remediation plan has been closed; CD recommends doing whatever needs to be done to proceed to closing, if TCB will indemnify the Trust for any additional clean-up costs.

CD made a motion to accept the deed for the open space parcel, conditioned on TCB accepting responsibility for any additional clean-up costs; seconded by DW; approved by unanimous vote.

A motion to adjourn the meeting came at 3:40 p.m. from CD, seconded by DW, and approved by unanimous vote.

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