

Marshfield Affordable Housing Trust
Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2024

PRESENT: Fred Monaco
Cecilia Delgadillo
Cody Rohland
Mark Huber
Lynne Fidler
Michael Maresco

ALSO PRESENT: Karen Horne, Housing Coordinator

ABSENT: Kerry Richardson

1. Call to order/ Roll Call

Fred Monaco made a motion to open the meeting at 6:30pm. Lynne Fidler seconded the motion. The vote was 6-0.

2. Update and Vote to Accept Massachusetts Housing Partnership (MHP) Technical Assistance Grant
Cody Rohland made a motion to accept the MHP Technical Assistance Grant. Mark Huber seconded the motion. The vote was 6-0

Michael Maresco discussed a call that he, Fred Monaco, and Lynne Fidler had with Shelly Goehring from MHP regarding the grant. Fred Monaco took notes from that call which are attached to these minutes. As part of the grant, Trust members will receive training regarding how the Trust operates. This training will be three one-hour sessions. The first session will be scheduled for February or March. The Trust will need to decide on the role of the Trust and then develop a marketing plan. Publics meetings will be needed to gather input.

3. Discussion on upcoming MEDC Housing Discussion with Secretary Augustus
Massachusetts Economic Development Council is hosting a Housing Discussion with the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) Secretary Ed Augustus. The Housing Discussion is scheduled for February 13, 2024 in Brockton. Trust members are encouraged to attend

4. Discussion on MHOPP Home – Shinney
The Trust discussed the status of the MHOPPP home on Revere Street. Cody Rohland made a motion for Town Counsel to reach out to the Shinneys' attorney, Ryan Prophett to ask what the family is looking for. Mark Huber seconded the motion.

5. Questions and Discussion on the bank account for the Housing trust Funds
Michael Maresco reminded the Trust that an account for the Trust to hold housing funds was opened on August 24, 2022 with an initial deposit of \$307,504.18. Karen Horne stated that as of October there was \$474,545 in the Housing Trust Account.

APPROVED – February 27, 2024

6. Vote to accept minutes – 10/26/2023

Cody Rohland made a motion to approve the Housing Trust October 26, 2023 meeting minutes.

Cecilia Delgadillo seconded the motion. The vote was 6-0.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at the end of February. Fred Monaco will send out possible meeting dates.

8. Motion to Adjourn

Cody Rohland made a motion to adjourn. Cecilia Delgadillo seconded the motion. The vote was 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44.

Attachment

Notes from Fred Monaco regarding Housing Meeting with Massachusetts Housing Partnership (MHP), 1/3/2024:

Michael Maresco set the zoom meeting with Shelly Goehring from MHP, Lynne Fidler and myself.

- Michael mentioned that the draft on how the Trust will operate under State law has been completed by Bob Galvin
- Shelly indicated that all members of newly formed Trust go through training sessions developed by MHP. Sessions last about an hour and will start in February. The training is 101 course every 3 weeks.
- Focus is for the Trust to arrive at 2-3 goals to achieve in 1-3 years for our Town.
- We should develop the Marshfield Housing plan by the end of June 2024.
- Lynne asked Shelly if the all Trust funding responsibilities are on the up and up. Shelly assured us that they were. Lynne also said that everything we do as a Trust must be transparent.
- One of the tasks we are charged with is Define Low and Moderate Income for our Town.
- Develop an application for perspective citizens applying for housing through the Trust