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ACTON HOUSING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
68 WINDSOR AVENUE, ACTON MA 01720
MINUTES
April 27, 2010

Present: Bernice Baran, Ken Sghia-Hughes, Nancy Kolb, Dennis Sullivan and Robert Whittlesey
Also Present: Kelley Cronin
Attending: Pamela Harting Barrat, Al Murphy and Elizabeth Hughes

Mr. Whittlesey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. The Board met with Al Murphy, Chairman of the Boxborough Housing Board (BHB) and Elizabeth Hughes, Planner for the Town of Boxborough. The Town of Boxborough is looking for ways to work with the AHA to increase the number of affordable housing units accessible to Boxborough families. The board proposed that that the BHB provide resources to help with the construction of Sachem Way. The Board listed examples of funding that the Town of Acton had provided to the AHA to create new units of affordable rental housing. Mr. Murphy stated that the BHB would like to purchase condominium units in Boxborough and have the AHA manage them. Ms. Cronin explained that the AHA manages AHA owned units but have not been in the business of managing rental units owned by other parties. Ms. Cronin asked Mr. Murphy how they were going to pay for the ongoing expenses of the units and determine rent. Mr. Murphy said they did not have that level of detail yet. The Board discussed the desire to work with the Town of Boxborough to create more housing units.

2. Ms. Kolb made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and unanimously voted in the affirmative to:

Approve the minutes of the March 23, 2010 and April 15, 2010 meeting.

3. Ms. Cronin let the Board know that Michael Fagan was no longer able to work. She advertised the position and 73 people applied. She is hoping to have a new person hired by the end of May. Ms. Cronin updated the Board on the new unit at Lalli Terrace.

4. The Board discussed the next steps for Sachem Way. The AHA has sent the Project Eligibility letter to Massachusetts Housing Partnership. Ms. Cronin is requesting a meeting with Acton Department heads to review the design for comment. Ms. Cronin will schedule a meeting with stake holders to review the final building and site design.

5. Ms. Baran made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Sghia-Hughes and unanimously voted in the affirmative to:

*Approve the February and March vouchers (monthly list of accounts payable)
as presented.*

The meeting was adjourned.



Respectfully Submitted,
Kelley A. Cronin
Executive Director