

ACTON HOUSING AUTHORITY
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
 68 WINDSOR AVENUE, ACTON MA 01720
 MINUTES
 JANUARY 8, 2008

Present: Dennis Sullivan, Nancy Kolb, Ken Sghia-Hughes and Robert Whittlesey
 Also Present: Kelley Cronin
 Absent: Bernice Baran
 Attending: John Benkert and Virginia Loftus

Mr. Whittlesey called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. Mr. Whittlesey made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and unanimously voted in the affirmative to:

Approve the minutes of the December 11, 2007 meeting.

2. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Cronin let the Board know that there was no progress in the purchase and sale negotiations with Somerset Hills. Mr. Whittlesey made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and unanimously voted in the affirmative to:

Have the AHA attorney, Sue Cohen, inform Somerset Hills that the language changes to the purchase and sale is non-negotiable and that if they do not agree to the changes the AHA is withdrawing from the negotiations. If Somerset Hills, LLP., agrees to the terms the Board will decide at the next meeting whether to go through with the purchase.

Ms. Cronin gave the Board the language from the Town By-Law E.6-9 regarding the Unregistered Motor Vehicles and discussed the issue in relation to AHA owned parking lots.

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

In order to comply with the Town of Acton's By-Law E.6-9, the Acton Housing Authority will not allow the parking of vehicles that fit the above description. This includes vehicles that are not registered, do not have current MA inspection stickers, or are not operable. The AHA will give residents 30 days to get their cars registered, pass inspection, operable or removed from AHA property. After 30 days the car will be towed at owner's expense. The Executive Director, at his/her discretion, may give an extension for extenuating circumstances.

3. New Business

The Board and Ms. Cronin discussed the language related to the sick time benefits in the Executive Director contract. Ms. Cronin told the Board she would ask for clarification from DHCD regarding the language.

Mr. John Benkert presented his concerns regarding 27 Concord Road. Residents of 27 Concord Road smoke outside and Mr. Benkert stated that the smoke goes over the fence between the two properties and exacerbates his daughter's asthma condition. Mr. Benkert acknowledged that there are less people smoking in front of the property since he brought this issue to the attention of the AHA. The Executive Director is going to see if there is a type of ashtray which will keep the smoke from going into the air.

4. Old Business

The Board discussed the CPC presentation for the AHA application for pre-development funds.

5. November Voucher

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

Approve the November Voucher.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelley A. Cronin
Executive Director