

MINUTES OF THE WAREHAM REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Wareham Town Hall

54 Marion Road

Room 27

Wareham, MA 02571

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Peter Teitelbaum, Chairman
Kenneth Buckland, Clerk
Derek Sullivan, Member
Mary Bruce, Member
Richard Swenson, Member

III. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Approval of minutes November 6, 2014 and November 14, 2018

MOTION: Member Bruce moves to approve the minutes of November 6, 2018 and November 14, 2018. Member Swenson seconds.

VOTE: (4-0-1) Member Sullivan abstains

IV. AUTHORITY BUSINESS

1. Discussion with Claire Smith regarding Plymouth 2020 bus excursions and possible vote to authorize Clerk Buckland to negotiate use of Tremont Nail Factory.

Claire Smith used to run the Cranberry Educational Foundation, which is made up of 15 members representing the cranberry industry. The focus is mainly educating people about the cranberry industry and cranberry farming. They offer scholarships and work with schools. They are currently working with TD Bank working on the marketshare trust for the scholarships. They also provide medical benefits to cranberry growers. The longterm goal of the group is to establish another cranberry museum which would be a 4 million dollar endowment. One gentleman has been very pressing about starting a miniature museum. They are looking at sites in Plymouth and Middleboro for the museum. Ms. Smith states it would be a great idea to use Tremont Nail for storage of historical artifacts to see as part of the cranberry tour. Ms. Smith states they would be looking at around 5 buses a day. Member Sullivan states establishing the green space at Tremont Nail would become a priority if this were something they decided to approve. The tours would begin in the fall of 2020.

MOTION: Member Sullivan moves to authorize Clerk Buckland to negotiate use of Tremont Nail Factory with Claire Smith. Member Bruce seconds.

VOTE: (5-0-0)

2. Discussion of WRA finances

Clerk Buckland states he does not have the latest numbers at this time. The last numbers are from May

3. Continued discussion of Organa Brands proposal at Tremont Nail Factory

Ben Smith has been hired as the local project manager for this project. They have done a project analysis of the project using the steel skin of the building. The skin is not ideal for use as it is. They are doing a review of the electrical system.

4. Report on architectural historian's and distillery proponent's review of Tremont Nail Factory buildings

The architectural historian was extremely impressed with the truss structure of the main building.

5. Discussion and vote on RFP for 4 Recover Road

Clerk Buckland states the RFP will go to the best lease price.

MOTION: Member Sullivan moves to approve the RFP for 4 Recovery Road. Member Bruce seconds.

VOTE: (5-0-0)

6. Discussion and vote on RFQ for designer services for Tremont Nail Factory

These funds can be used for two buildings, so the money does not have to be separated at this point.

MOTION: Member Sullivan moves to approve the RFQ for design services. Member Swenson seconds.

VOTE: (5-0-0)

V. CORRESPONDENCE
1. Letters of interest

VI. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS

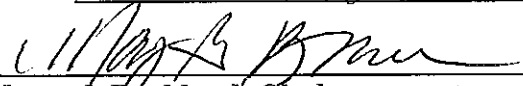
Member Sullivan states that he would like to do something to the East Wareham School similar to what they did with the West Wareham School, where funding is put into the building from CDBG funds and the building could go to child development with the rent paying back the grant for the work on the building.


VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Member Swenson moves to adjourn. Member Bruce seconds.

VOTE: (5-0-0)

Date signed: 12-11-18

Attest: 
Kenneth Buckland, Clerk
Redevelopment Authority

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