WAREHAM REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 Time: 4:00 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 Richard Swenson, Member

III. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: April 23, 2019, April 30, 2019

The Authority makes changes to the meeting minutes. For the minutes of April 23, 2019 the Redevelopment Authority was changed to the Board of Selectmen as the Special Permit Granting Authority and the Association was changed to the Authority. On April 30th a vote was added to the meeting minutes.

MOTION: Member Swenson moves to approve the minutes as amended. Clerk Buckland seconds.

VOTE: (3-0-1) Member Sullivan abstains

2. Continued discussion re: Tremont Nail Factory 200th Anniversary

Chairman Teitelbaum recommends reaching out to Angela Dunham and Mack Finney and establish a date

Member Swenson said the sponsor list is being locked down. Member Swenson recommends reaching out to Tim Fay as a sponsor.

3. Continued discussion and possible vote re: tables, chairs and protection for Merchant's Way Train Station

Member Sullivan thinks they should rent the tables for the Merchant's Way Train Station.

4. Continued discussion re: Rollout of Economic Development Strategy

The Authority discusses which points they will discuss at the Economic Development Strategy workshop.

- 5. Discussion re: unused schools that have been returned to Town control
- 6. Update re: status of WRA funds
- 7. Discussion re: WRA Bay Pointe property sale and possible vote re: closing and financing

Bay Pointe is concerned with purchasing the property without approval for the apartment building first.

8. Meet with Laura Shufelt, Mass. Housing Partnership

Present before the Authority: Laura Shufelt

Clerk Buckland states he has invited Ms. Shufelt in to discuss options they have considering a grant they have received for Littleton Drive. Ms. Shufelt is the assistant director of Community Assistance at MA Housing Partnership. Ms. Shufelt discusses the options for the 13 acre parcel at Littleton Drive. Town meeting had requested that the units be senior housing, however, the funding on the state level for senior housing is not as readily available as it is not seen as a priority. Chairman Teitelbaum states he feels that senior housing would be the politically factorable action to take. This limits the scope of the project to one-story structures or install elevators. MA Housing has more funding available than MA Housing Partnership. The site is raw land that requires survey work, identifying utilities, etc., before the WRA can reach out for proposals. MA Housing will come in and give their opinion of the process as well.

9. Discussion re: Special Permit referral for Tremont Nail Factory overlay

This item will be on the next agenda to discuss referrals for the Special Permit for Organa Brands.

- IV. AUTHORITY BUSINESS
- V. <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION</u> (This time is reserved for topics that the WRA members did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed)
- VI. CORRESPONDENCE
 - 1. Letters of interest
 - 2. Clerk's Report re: Activities at Tremont Nail Factory and WRA matters

Union Studios will be out doing another structural analysis of the TNF site.

The water bill for the leak at 4 Recovery Road suggests there was a leak of one million gallons, which would be six months of water usage. It does not appear that amount of water could have leaked into the building.

VOTE: (4-0-0)

- VII. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS
- VIII. MEMBER COMMENTS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

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