MINUTES OF THE WAREHAM REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Tuesday, September 25, 2018
Time: 5:30 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. AUTHORITY BUSINESS

Approval of the meeting minutes.

MOTION: Clerk Buckland moves to approve the minutes. Member Bruce seconds.

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

1. Discussion re: Slum & Blight Studies

Clerk Buckland states that the draft Onset Slum and Blight study has been submitted. It does meet the criteria for slum and blight for Onset as a whole. After the Board has time to review the document they will discuss it next meeting.

2. Economic Development Strategy

Clerk Buckland states there was a 10% cost reduction in the Development Strategy, so it will cost around \$30,000.00. FXM has begun work on the Development Strategy, which should be ready by the end of December. This work doesn't necessarily require public workshops, but would probably have a business round table for local businesses.

3. Continued discussion re: scoring WRA goals and work plan

Clerk Buckland mentions that the Redevelopment Authority Work Plan must be presented to Town Meeting, the goal being to present in April 2019.

4. Continued discussion regarding architectural services for Tremont Nail Factory

There will be \$50,000.00 from a new CDBG grant available for architectural services of Tremont Nail, Union Studios had come before the WRA and is running a scope of services for a structural analysis and for the architectural work. Chapter 30B allows that contracts up to \$50,000.00 can be done on three bids.

5. Continued discussion re: Organa Brands proposal and outreach

Chairman Teitelbaum states they had discussed with Organa Brands about toning down the names of some of the products. Member Swenson states that he feels it is important that they try to sell the business

as a business, a place that will produce paying jobs, rather than focusing on the marijuana side of the business. Chairman Teitelbaum states they will promot the public workshop for Organa Brands. Discussion of public outreach is discussed for the workshop.

6. Continued discussion re: Town Meeting Article

Chairman Teitelbaum states this is what the workshop meeting is for. The articles will be before the Planning Board again on October 15.

- IV. CORRESPONDENCE
 - 1. Letters of interest
- V. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS
- VI. <u>MEMBER COMMENTS</u>
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Member Bruce moves to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded.

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