

Chilmark Housing Committee Meeting
Minutes
November 12, 2020

Committee Members Present: Jim Feiner, Chair; Bill Rossi, Andy Goldman, Ann Wallace,
Present: Peter Cook, Gerald Caton

The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 11:05am.

The committee met to review a request by Gerald Caton to refinance his existing mortgage. Gerald explained that he wanted to refinance the remainder of his mortgage to a lower interest rate; he was not asking for any increase in the mortgage. Motion by A. Wallace to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that the request by G. Caton be approved; seconded by A. Goldman. Committee voted unanimously.

Two CPC requests from Harbor Homes and Island Autism were reviewed. Bill Rossi informed the committee of his understanding of the projects. Ann Wallace requested that a question be conveyed to the CPC for the Island Autism proposal to ensure that the land purchase have a ground lease or other assurance that it will stay in the affordability pool. Motion by A. Goldman, seconded by A. Wallace to support both requests with a condition on the Island Autism request to ensure the towns investment is protected.

Nov. 18, 2020 at 11am will be the public hearing (via Zoom) by the CPC on both requests.

The committee reviewed the email by Chuck Hodgkinson, administrative assistant to the CPC, which suggested increasing the amount of the Rental Assistance Program request for the ATM. Tim Carroll gave some background on past funding requests. Motion by A. Goldman to increase the CPC request to the town to \$100,000 for the Rental Assistance Program; seconded by B. Rossi. Jim Feiner, Andy Goldman and Bill Rossi voted yes; Ann Wallace abstained (conflict of interest).

Jim Feiner informed the committee that a new affordable housing situation is pending. A guesthouse on the former "Breakfast at Tiasquam" is being sold to a qualified family and the lot will be deed restricted. The process will involve the Planning Board.

The Zoom Meeting was adjourned at 11:25am

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Wallace (in absence of an Administrative Assistant)