

**HINGHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST
HINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

Date: March 15, 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting Dial in 929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 836 6586 6000 Passcode: 710427

Called to Order: 7:02 pm

Attendance: Tim White, Chairman, Kathleen Amonte, Amy Farrell, Nancy Kerber, Al Chambers, Anita Comerford; also attending Tom Mayo, Emily Wentworth and Mike Silveira

Rockwood Road Article AA: Emily gave an overview on the status of the Article. The Selectmen were hesitant to advance the Article at this time. They would like to see more preliminary work done first. Emily and Town Real Estate Counsel Susan Murphy have done a lot of work on the property related to title search and variances. The property is grandfathered as buildable. The Trust will need to do the work to see if it is feasible. They did not find any variances.

Tom Mayo says the Selectmen liked the idea of using the land for affordable housing but would like all the items addressed before they advance the Article. Tom suggested postponing the article until 2022. In the meantime the Town will pay for the site work to be done.

Amy asks the scope of the work – soil evaluation and site analysis.

Emily mentions that there should also be discussions with the neighbors during the year postponement.

Tim is concerned about delaying the project for a full year given how long it can take some projects to move along.

Voted – a motion was made by Al Chambers and seconded by Kathleen Amonte to withdraw Article AA from consideration for 2021 Town Meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Amonte, Farrell, Kerber, Chambers and Comerford vote Yes. Tim White votes No.

Matters Relating to Town Administrator: Tim asks if any Board Members have questions for Tom Mayo. Kathleen asks if the Trust will be updated through the process regarding the site work on Rockwood Road. Michael will keep the Trust informed.

Tim mentions that it would be advantageous to have a survey given the neighbor's shed encroaching on the property.

Adjournment: Voted – a motion was made by Anita Comerford and seconded by Al Chambers to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:34.

Respectfully submitted by: Necia O'Neill

Approved: March 23, 2021

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