Wellfleet Housing Authority – Minutes Wednesday June 3, 2020 1:00 PM Covid19 Zoom Meeting

Present: Elaine McIlroy, Chair, Mia Baumgarten, Richard Ciotti, Gary Sorkin also Ryan Curley

1) A motion to accept the May 7, 2020 minutes. Approved 4-0

2) A motion to pay CDP \$1706.25 for Housing Specialist work. Approved 4-0

3) A motion to pay \$2397 in Regular Rental Assistance for July. Approved 4-0 WHA has enough funds available to continue with the present level of assistance to until Town Meeting in October. WHA will be requesting \$165,000 in regular rental assistance from CPC.

4) Richard reported on the progress of Lower Cape Emergency Rental Assistance Program Working Group. The group is working on a program in anticipation of the need for emergency rental assistance when current funding programs cease. Those who received rental assistance prior to the Covid 19 pandemic will likely continue to receive assistance as before from pre Covid 19 rental assistance programs. There is a strong possibility that a gap will exist for those earning between 60% and 100% of AMI who will continue to experience the financial stresses of Covid 19 related economic dislocation but who do not qualify for other rental assistance programs. Draft guidelines for the program have been developed. The group has four additional meetings scheduled for June to work out the details of a regional plan for towns to use to meet this anticipated need.

5) Gary reported that the WHA will submit a CPA application for \$250,000 for Housing needs related to the Covid 19 pandemic. These monies are intended for additional rental assistance needs, mortgage assistance for those living in deed restricted homes and costs of first month's rent, last month's rent and security deposit associated with moving into a new rental.

6) A motion to request that the Town dissolve the Special Legislation Wellfleet Housing Trust (Chapter 352 of the Acts of 2006) and adopt the Massachusetts Municipal Affordable Housing Trust (General Law-Part I, Title VII, Chapter 44, Section 55C) or do or act anything thereon and to place this on the next Town Meeting Warrant. Approve 4-0

7) Elaine reported Housing Specialist work in progress. The e newsletter is in the works and the Housing info line is getting about one call per week.

8) The 95 Lawrence Road project has issued an RFP for an assessment of the best approaches to waste-water issues related to the project. The Task Force is also refining the project RFP.

9) Elaine will gather more information on the process of putting out an RFP for a single-family home on the Freeman Avenue property.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Ciotti, Clerk

Elaine McIlroy, Chair