

MINUTES

The Board of Commissioners of the Dracut Housing Authority met at a Special Meeting on May 15, 2015 at 971 Mammoth Road, Dracut, MA 01826. Chairman Russell Taylor opened the meeting at 11:00 a.m. and upon roll –call vote those present were as follows:

PRESENT: Matthew J. Sheehan
F. Russell Taylor
Debra DeWitt Ahern
Jesse Forcier

ABSENT: George M. Nangle

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Manager Duggan
Kevin Buckley (KBA)
Steve Svolis (KBA)

A presentation was made by KBA Architects on the feasibility study that was conducted on both the 144 Greenmont Avenue Site as well as the Spring Park Site. The architects reported to the Board that they have conducted studies on both sites. They handed out two different reports that cover the presentation and work that has been completed on both sites.

Based on the information that they have obtained and work that has been completed KBA architects cost estimates for both sites are as follows:

Spring Park - \$7,743,426 (including soft costs)

144 Greenmont - \$5,944,951 (including soft costs)

KBA Architects recommended that 144 Greenmont Avenue site would be the best site for senior housing. They took into account other factors other than cost. The Greenmont Avenue site has the option of expansion and more units being built in additional phases. The Spring Park site total capacity would be 13 units. The Greenmont Avenue site is a much better option.

Commissioner Forcier thanked the architects as well as the Town Manager for pushing this project forward. Commissioner Forcier was very happy with the presentation.

Commissioner Forcier made a motion to go forward and ask Town Meeting to support us with requesting \$3,000,000 from CPC for building senior housing units at 144 Greenmont Avenue. Said motion was seconded by Commissioner DeWitt Ahern. Under discussion Chairman Taylor stated that he

supports this project and believes that the Greenmont site has the potential to add additional housing with a lot of green space. Commissioner DeWitt Ahern stated that this study has showed us that 144 Greenmont Avenue is a great site and a lovely piece of property. There were a lot of questions on whether or not the Greenmont Avenue site is a good site to build on. Based on the information we heard today the site will be perfect for senior housing. Commissioner Sheehan thanked the Town Manager and the Director as well as KBA architects on their work on this project. Commissioner Sheehan stated that he is in support of Greenmont Avenue. Upon roll call vote passed unanimously.

Commissioner De Witt Ahern made a motion to adjourn. Said motion was seconded by Commissioner Forcier. Upon roll call vote passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 11:49 a.m.