Belmont Housing Trust Minutes for October 26, 2010

In Attendance—Gloria Leipzig, Ann Verrilli, Charles Laverty III, Alisa Gardner-Todreas, Jonathan Jacoby

Guest: Judith Sarno

Minutes—The minutes for September 16, 2010, were approved.

Chair—Gloria filled in for Judie Feins

Metro West Collaborative Developers—Alisa highlighted the report from Steve Laferriere:

- An environmental consultant is investigating whether the culvert behind the Moraine Street property is a "perennial stream" or not; it makes a difference in what area can be developed.
- He is exploring the possibility of partnering with service providers who may be able to provide services and funding for housing for people with special needs.
- He also had comments about Murray-Sandler (no change), Purecoat (not pursing for the time being) and the Flett/Trapelo property (waiting to talk to the owner's son-in-law).

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Community Preservation Act—Ann reported that sign holders were needed.

Other Business—There were three items on the agenda, plus one additional discussion topic:

- Imler House—Gloria has given Ann Silverman the information she has in regard to a group home.
- 40B—the election is Tuesday, November 2; nothing new to report.
- 307 Trapelo Road development—Chuck and Gloria attended the public meeting on October 18 conducted by Landmark Realty. The Jones family owns the property and is proposing 31 condo units of 1 & 2 BR, with four storefronts on Trapelo Rd. (residences above and behind) and underneath parking. Questions remain about possible underground stream to be redirected, whether there is an overlay district and who is the owner. Chuck felt the meeting was to gauge neighborhood reaction.
- Cushing Village—Board of Selectmen have just broken off negotiations for the parking lot and late word is that the developer may sue the Town. Discussion of this issue at some length.

Membership—The Trust needs to fill two vacancies and replace the liaison member from the Planning Board. There was some discussion of names and the possibility expressed of finding a low-income member at Waverley Woods or, possibly, at the Oakley development.

Submitted by Jonathan Jacoby