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There was a Planning Board meeting held on Wednesday, February 18, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. in the Training Room of the Weymouth Police Department.

Members Present: Paul Hurley – Chairman
Paul Dillon
Mary Sue Ryan
Sue Abbott
Mary McElroy
Paul Lynch

Staff Present: James Clarke – Director of Planning & Comm. Development
Elizabeth Neil – C. D. Coordinator
Kate MacDougall, - C. D. Planner

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Atlantic House

Request by Linda Nardella, Program Director & Drew Welch, Housing Coordinator For \$20,000.

Project: Housing Coordinator Position.

L. Nardella stated that Atlantic House works with people on vocational rehabilitation skills to help adults with mental illness get back to work. Two issues are symptomatology and issues of living in the community. The purpose of the program is to help people have a good quality of life. Her goal is to stabilize the adult, help them get jobs and teach them good parenting skills. Currently there are 250 active members in this organization.

She also explains that this organization is part of the Quincy Consortium on homeless housing. She talks about a 5-year grant awarded (\$339,000 that will cover subsidies). They need additional staff to help with this organization. They are looking for (5) 3 bedroom apartments in the Weymouth area.

Weymouth Housing Authority

Request for \$20,064 by Laureen Pizzi, Resident Services Coordinator & Acting Deputy Director for Weymouth Housing Authority and Ian Tink, Grant Writer.
Project: Resident Services Coordinator Position.

Seeking salary assistance. The money requested is the amount outstanding for the difference in the mix population grant received from the state.

L. Pizzi gave a brief explanation of her job duties. A major part of her job this past year was dedicated to the relocation of the Cadman Towers residents. In addition to this, she will be responsible for returning them to this site once renovated. She provides human and social services to elderly and disabled.

Ian Tink discusses importance of this position and the outstanding work that Laureen does.

P. Dillon and L. Pizzi discuss the discrepancy in the \$6,464 difference.

Twenty-eight units will be available when Cadman Towers reopens.

Discussion took place regarding the young disabled being residents in senior housing. S. Abbott would like to see the young disabled moved elsewhere.

If a young disabled person gets arrested, they are evicted. Old policy "need a conviction to get an eviction". Now they are only allowed one strike.

Parks & Recreation Department

Request by Aaron Stump, Director for scholarships for the following:

- a. \$40,000 - Lane Beach Bath House Upgrade
- b. \$29,000 - Playground Resurfacing at Weston, Stella and Julia

M. McElroy stated how much she likes the programs.

A. Stump gives a brief explanation of what is offered through the Camp Wey-Rec program: drama classes, dance classes, cheerleading and sports clinics.

A. Stump would still like to retain the original \$20,000 (walkway grant). If needed, they could put this towards the Lane Beach Bath House and walkway. Zero out the \$40,000 but still retain \$20,000 towards a future drain.

Discussion regarding the Playground resurfacing entails. A. Stump explains the type of mulch to be put down and when it will be delivered.

Weymouth School Department

Request for \$103,000 by Howard Leonard, Director of Maintenance and Construction for Weymouth Schools.

Project: Elevator and Chair Lift Installation at Murphy School.

H. Leonard gives an explanation regarding the need for this. The Murphy School (K-4), one of the few schools that has a library, computer room and kindergarten

downstairs. The chair lift would allow access to the three other classrooms on the other floors.

P. Dillon states that the project should be done!

Request for \$220,000 for elevator and chair lift at the Fulton School. Elevator will allow access to the lower floors (kindergarten). Chair lift will allow access to the gym.

If not funded this year, they would have to wait an entire year. The delivery alone for the chair lifts takes at least 6-9 months.

H. Leonard discusses funding through the Capital Budget. (Projects that are over \$25,000).

Weymouth Housing Authority

Request by Laureen Pizzi, Resident Services Coordinator & Acting Deputy Director for Weymouth Housing Authority and Ian Tink, Grant Writer for the following projects:

- a. \$40,000 Entry System at Joseph Crehen Housing/Elderly Housing
- b. \$20,000 Walkway & curb cuts at Joseph Crehen/Elderly Housing
- c. \$190,000 Pope Towers Elevator Installation

I. Tink discusses the entry system they are considering to install. Electronic entry system for the front doors. Control doors from their units. (1) regular key to open front door and (2) card key system. Keep back doors locked.

Lengthy discussion regarding different entry systems (buzzers, card keys etc.) ensues.

Fire department would have master key to get in.

Short discussion regarding the walkway and curb cuts ensues.

P. Dillon states that the Pope Towers elevator should be a first priority. He has been receiving complaints regarding this issue. L. Pizzi and I. Tink explain that the Pope Towers elevator is up to code, it just runs slowly. If there were no elevator, then it would be a first priority. L. Pizzi points out the fact that she has not received any calls or complaint regarding the elevator since November 22, 1998.

M. McElroy explains that the walkways and curb cuts need to be done. They should be up to ADA code.

Weymouth Redevelopment Authority

Elizabeth Neil requests \$65,000.

Project: Woodside Path Urban Renewal Project

Complete the project. They ran into an issue w/property owner of largest lot where they want the road to go through. The \$65,000 will cover additional funds needed to cover additional engineering and construction costs.

Elizabeth Neil requests \$25,000.

Project: Echo Ave. Feasibility

Feasibility study will help determine whether road and drainage improvements can be done in that area. Road is very narrow and homes are extremely close together.

Elizabeth Neil requests \$25,000

Project: Group Accessibility Project Phase II

E. Neil explains that this on-going project was funded through CDBG. There are numerous problems with this project.

K. MacDougall explains about bids coming out too high for the project. Bids are coming out high due to the economy being good. Contractors are extremely busy and this is considered a "small" job to them.

Elizabeth Neil requests \$140,756.84

Project: General Program Administration

This request would cover salaries for the Community Development Coord. Community Development Planner and also benefits for the employee intern. It would also cover supplies and other miscellaneous items.

Housing Services

Request by John Parnaby and Dan Rogers for \$95,017.63

Project: Salary and Benefits for Housing Coordinator, 50% of the Housing Planner's salary, medical and life insurance cost. (50% of the Planner's salary is being paid out of the Home Program). Administrative costs would also be paid out of this money. (Legal fees, training conference, mileage & advertisement)

J. Parnaby briefly explains the background of the program. Mr. Parnaby spoke of the Home Program: They fund a number of the different housing development proposals that come before the town. They are active with 1st time homebuyer

programs, down payment and closing cost assistance as well. Mr. Parnaby offered some information regarding the past year statistics.

J. Parnaby discusses the MHFA (Mass. Housing Finance Agency) Wide Range of Programs: Lead Paint, Rental Housing and Housing counseling.

S. Abbott asks Mr. Parnaby to provide an overview of these programs. She would like to see some numbers with these programs. Mr. Parnaby was able to give her that information right then.

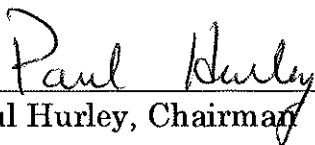
M. S. Ryan asks Mr. Parnaby what their Outreach is: On all programs they try to do a multi-housing advertisement. Display board located in the Town Hall, Patriot Ledger, etc.

M. S. Ryan asks J. Parnaby to explain the 1st time buyer program and the \$135,000 cap. Dan Rogers briefly explains this program to the board.

Motion to adjourn: 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Maura Petrucci

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and complete statement of all actions and votes taken at this meeting on February 18, 1999.


 Paul Hurley, Chairman