

## **Minutes of the meeting of the CICA Housing Committee, Saturday February 12, 2011.**

Present: Donna Damon, Mabel Doughty, Bob Earnest, Deb Hall, Beth Howe, Ruth Slagle and John Wilson.

The meeting convened after the Town Meeting that had approved the transfer of land from the Town to CICA for the School House Road proposal.

John had gotten estimates for duplexes based on the MSHA building and green standards. The KBS price was \$228,912, and the Keiser price was \$154,362. Both are more expensive because of the higher standards, but the increase is proportionately about the same. There is maybe \$25,000 more in on-site work in the KBS quote, and we would need to increase the Keiser one for that work. The Keiser units are smaller than the KBS ones. The construction quality is similar. Keiser was more responsive to our questions and needs, and Bob, John and Beth were more impressed by the Keiser factory operation. Both include delivery of the building to East End Beach in Portland.

There was some discussion about possible changes in the design – it would be useful to have a mudroom at the front door. Bob said that would add to the cost. What about an end window in the dining room of the smaller unit, since the sliding door has been removed? Donna asked whether we could have wood stoves. John said that that probably creates a problem with our insurance. Deb said that we shouldn't make changes that increase the cost. Bob said that the companies are fairly flexible about making changes as long as they do not change the basic structure. Beth said that everyone should look at the plans and we will discuss what changes really would matter at a future meeting.

Deb moved, seconded by Mabel to approve ordering the Keiser duplex. The motion was approved unanimously.

Bob said that we should get organized about clearing the site. We need to ask for bids for cutting the trees. Responses should be a fixed price that also says what will happen to the wood and what happens to the remnants. He and John agreed to meet on Tuesday March 15, when John is back here next, to go out to the site and identify trees to be cut.

Things we need:

To tell Norm Fecteau about the approval today. Beth will do this.  
Have a final copy of the survey with the transferred bits taken off.  
An updated budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Howe