Oak Bluffs Affordable Housing Committee Public Hearing

Date: 08.05.09 **Time**: 5:00 pm

Location: OB Library Meeting Room

Members present:

Chairman Ron DiOrio, Brian Hughes, John Bradford, James Westervelt(recorder)

Members absent: Harvey Beth

Others present: Town Administrator Michael Dutton, Grant Administrator Alice Boyd, Representatives from TRI,Inc., and members of the public

Item: Old Library Conversion Project A public hearing was held to discuss the progress and future of the old library conversion project (Noyes Building). Alice Boyd led the discussion by reporting to the public that bids received were way above our budget. A contributing factor was state regulations requiring DCAM certified contractors submitting bids for the project. There were no local contractors DCAM certified for this project. This situation requires Affordable Housing Committee to amend our application for grant money allow the Affordable Housing committee to enter into an agreement with a non-profit like TRI,Inc. who can then contract to build. The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority could not do this because they are not equipped to handle the construction.

There was a question and answer session after this discussion.

The hearing ended 5:50pm.