

Meeting at City Hall

Date: 19 October 2022

Present: Mary Miranda, Rebekah Miranda, Ken Irwin, Joanna Ferriera, Becky Campo

Start Time: 2:08PM

End Time: 2:33PM

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- Gave background info on HOST House and our issues
 - Entire history up to losing 501c3
 - Close to getting our 501c3 reinstated
 - Trying to recruit more board members (Bylaws state 7 members minimum)
 - Goal: recruit enough members (at least 5 new members) by the beginning of November
 - Met with Mayor McCord and he provided some solutions to us
 - But not satisfied with any of the solutions because we want to keep and save the HOST House
 - We just need some financial help (especially with property insurance) and other assistance we can get
 - One specific need is maybe get a lawyer or attorney to review our MOU with Cambridge, to double check all our responsibilities and that everything is in line and all is formal and legal
 - Will need to email MOU, Host Bylaws to Johanna Ferriera
 - We need help on making big decisions because we do not feel comfortable as a 3 member board to be making such drastic decisions (selling HOST House or not? How to deal with Cambridge? etc.)
 - What is the City willing to do for us right now?
 - Ken Irwin says they will take care of October insurance expense
 - Ken needs to look into budget to see how much is allocated and possibly help beyond October
 - Will need to email Host insurance bill and loan disclosures to Johanna Ferriera
 - !! need 501c3 !! to get started on everything

- Explained the 250k grant Cambridge applied for HOST House and will need to know where it is. Martin Salmon also applied for it.
 - Possibly applied with County
 - Can we request financials from Cambridge?
- Segue into formalizing respective duties between HOST and Cambridge Academies
 - Accountability and transparency between both agencies
 - Other examples, previous MOU stated that a Cambridge representative must attend HOST monthly meetings, but that has never happened