


Petitioner's Name: Address: Telephone No:
ZENAS SEPPALA 92 GRANITE ST 978-546-2617

PETITION FOR THE SPRING 2023 ROCKPORT TOWN MEETING

To see if the Town will
AMEND THE WORDING OF CHAPTER 7, SECTION 3 IN THE
TOWN'S CODE OF BYLAWS TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW.
IN LINE 4 REMOVE "S" AFTER "MEMBER" AND REMOVE THE
WORDS " OF IT'S DESIGNEES" AFTER THE WORD "SELECTMEN"

	Signature:	Printed Name:	Street Address:
1)		ZENAS SEPPALA	92 GRANITE ST
2)			
3)			
4)			
5)			
6)			
7)			
8)			
9)			
10)			

Part I ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT

Title VII CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS

Chapter 44 MUNICIPAL FINANCE

Section 55C MUNICIPAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND

Section 55C. (a) Notwithstanding section 53 or any other general or special law to the contrary, a city or town that accepts this section may establish a trust to be known as the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund, in this section called the trust. The purpose of the trust is to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing in municipalities for the benefit of low and moderate income households and for the funding of community housing, as defined in and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 44B. Acceptance shall be by majority vote of the municipal legislative body under section 4 of chapter 4.

(b) There shall be a board of trustees, in this section called the board, which shall include no less than 5 trustees, including the chief executive officer, as defined by section 7 of chapter 4, of the city or town, but where the chief executive officer is a multi-member body, that body shall designate a minimum of 1 of its members to serve on the board. Trustees shall be appointed in a city by the mayor or by the city manager in a Plan D or Plan E municipality, subject in either case, to confirmation by the city council, and in a town by the board of selectmen, shall serve for a term not to exceed 2 years, and are designated as public agents for purposes of the constitution of the commonwealth. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent a board of selectmen from appointing the town manager or town administrator as a member or chair of the board, with or without the power to vote.

(c) The powers of the board, all of which shall be carried on in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this act, shall include the following powers, but a city or town may, by ordinance or by-law, omit or modify any of these powers and may grant to the board additional powers consistent with this section:—

(1) to accept and receive real property, personal property or money, by gift, grant, contribution, devise or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including but not limited to money, grants of funds or other property tendered to the trust in connection with any ordinance

STATE LAW
REQUIRES
SELECT BOARD
MEMBER.
Does Not Allow A
DESIGNEE

