The Martha's Vineyard Commission held a Special Meeting on Thursday, January 4, 1990 at 8:00 p.m. at the Martha's Vineyard Commission Offices, Olde Stone Building, New York Avenue, Oak Bluffs, MA.

Mr. Filley, Chairman, opened the meeting at 8:02 p.m. and proceeded with agenda items.

ITEM #1 - Chairman's Report

Mr. Filley's first act as Chairman was to thank John Early for his years of service as Chairman and Mr. Jason for his services as Chairman of the Planning and Economic Development Committee (PED).

Mr. Filley then appointed the following: John Early, Chairman of Planning and Economic Development Committee (PED) and Robert Morgan, Chairman of the Land Use Planning Committee (LUPC).

Mr. Filley closed by thanking Mr. Gary Fauteux and Mr. Mike Early, representatives from the Cape Organization for the Rights of the Disabled (CORD), for their attendance.

ITEM #2 - Old Business

Mr. Early reminded the Commission of a request from Cora Medeiros to attempt a joint meeting between Island representatives, and representative for the Lakeville and Boston offices of the Department of Environment Quality Engineering (DEQE). The purpose of the meeting would be to clarify somewhat ambiguous signals that often come from these two offices.

Mr. Filley stated that Mr. Morgan would address this under Item #4.

ITEM #3 - Minutes of December 21, 1989

It was motioned and seconded to approve the draft minutes as presented. There was no discussion. This motion passed with no opposition, 2 abstentions Eber, Ewing. (Harney was in favor.)

ITEM #4 - Committee and Legislative Liaison Reports

Mr. Morgan, Chairman of LUPC, reported that they would be conducting a site visit of the Sears DRI Monday, January 8th, at 12:00 noon. The location is next to the harbor beside Our Market. Mr. Morgan then asked Mr. Young, former Chairman of LUPC, to report on the recent Leland DRI site visit.
Mr. Young reported that 3 members of LUPC had walked the major portion of the site. Mr. Counter, applicant's agent, pointed out the lay of the land, which includes a high ridge lined with trees, a lower level in the middle and another ridge of trees near the shore. He stated that this lower area is a natural house site with trees to provide a good foreground and backdrop and views created through selective cutting. All three of us agreed that this was the logical place to locate the houses.

Mr. Morgan closed by stating that LUPC will be meeting on January 8th at 4:30 at the Commission Offices. On the agenda is Millbrook Trust DRI and an update of outstanding DRIs. On January 22 we will be meeting to discuss the M.V. Hospital Long Term Care Facility DRI.

Mr. Morgan also gave a brief update as legislative liaison, stating as many of you know the Cape Cod Commission bill has gone through. He reported that there will be a meeting with representatives from both Boston and Lakeville offices of DEQE January 10th at 2:00 p.m. at the Dukes County Airport. Areas of discussion will include sewage, septage, regulations, solar aquatics, system financing and grants. Many letters of invitation were sent out but everyone interested is welcome to attend.

Mr. Bales, MVC Staff, reported that he would be attending a CHAPA conference on Tuesday and if anyone is interested in attending I have information on the conference.

Mr. Bales also asked members of the Gay Head Cliffs Area DCPC Committee to let him know if they would be able to attend the committee meeting which would be held here, next Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Fischer, Chairman of the Gay Head DCPC, reported that representatives of the Diem project want us to review proposals for 3 septic systems and building sites.

Mr. Early, Chairman of PED, reported that the Public Hearing on the proposed regulations for the Oak Bluffs Planned Development District will be held on January 18, 1990 at 8:00 p.m. here at the Commission offices.

Mr. Ewing, Chairman of the Edgartown Ponds DCPC, reported that they had met with the Edgartown Planning Board to discuss proposed regulations for the District and they would be meeting again tomorrow at noon.

Mr. Adams, MVC Staff, reported for the West Tisbury Trails DCPC Committee. The committee met and decided to recommend the Commission accept the nomination as a cultural and historic district. We recommend the District include the area 40 feet to either side of the center line for the roads nominated. This will be on the Commission agenda soon.
ITEM #5 - Possible Vote - Written Decision, Dreamland Garage DRI, Town of Oak Bluffs.

There was a question on Condition 1.b. concerning the fact that handicap bathroom facilities should not be totally excepted from water saving devices. It was noted that water saving handicap facilities are not available now and the Commission did not want to cause unnecessary delays to this project. When the fixtures initially installed exceed their useful life they will have to be replaced by water saving devices under new laws.

It was motioned and seconded to approve the Dreamland Garage written decision as written. The motion passed with a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstentions Early, Eber, Greene, Wey. (Harney was in favor.)

ITEM #6 - New Business - There was none.

ITEM #7 - Correspondence

Mr. Filley asked Ms. Borer, Executive Director to read the 2 letter of correspondence.

Ms. Borer read the letters (available in the correspondence and meeting files) which are summarized as follows: Wampanoag Tribal Council of Gay Head, dated December 20, 1989 requested a letter of support from the Commission for a HUD grant to construct a multi-use facility on Tribal Land. (It was noted that since this construction will take place on Tribal land it will not be the subject of DRI review.) It was unanimously agreed to send such a letter of support. The second letter was from the West Tisbury Planning Board requesting the Commission's attendance at a round table discussion on January 22, 1989 at 8:00 p.m. with a tentative agenda which included current status of the MVC and the Town and MVC relationship.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST

J. Woodward Filley, Chairman

Date 1/11/90

Albert O. Fischer, III,
Clerk/Treasurer

Date 1/11/90
Attendance


Absent: McCavitt, Allen, Geller, Davis.