MINUTES OF JANUARY 31, 1991

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION MEETING

The Martha's Vineyard Commission held a public hearing on Thursday, January 31, 1991 at 8:06 p.m. at the Martha's Vineyard Commission Offices, Olde Stone Building, New York Avenue, Oak Bluffs, MA regarding the following Development of Regional Impact (DRI):

Applicant: R.M. Packer Co., Inc.
Beach Road
Tisbury, MA

Location: Beach Road
Tisbury, MA

Proposal: Construction of piers and bulkheads in Vineyard Haven Harbor qualifying as a DRI since the property was the subject of a previous DRI application.

Alan Schweikert, Chairman of the Land Use Planning Committee read the public notice and opened the hearing at 8:06 p.m. Mr. Schweikert announced that Mr. Packer could not be present and had requested that the Commission continue the public hearing to the 7th of February. Mr. Schweikert also noted that since no representative from Edgartown was present and in accordance with the by-laws of the Commission no hearing could be held without one representative from each town being present then no hearing could be held. The hearing was then continued to the 7th of February 1991.

ITEM #1 - Chairman's report - There was none.

ITEM #2 - Old Business - There was none.

ITEM #3 - Minutes of January 17, 1991

As a motion by Mr. Early, duly seconded, the minutes of January 17, 1991 were approved as written - so voted.

ITEM #4 - Committee and Legislative Liaison Reports

LUPC - Mr. Schweikert discussed the meeting with Mr. Adler regarding the test borings and the letter from George Wey.
He further discussed the upcoming hearing on the proposed changes in regulations from Oak Bluffs and West Tisbury. A discussion in particular of the proposed special ways regulations in West Tisbury followed.

A discussion of the conflict with the special town meeting and the Commission meeting on February 21 followed.

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE -

Mr. Early indicated that the committee would be meeting shortly and he asked the staff to discuss briefly a "dream" proposal for the SSA and Vineyard Haven Harbor.

Tom Simmons and John Schilling discussed the futuristic concept of transportation center.

A general discussion of the proposal followed.

ROAD COMMITTEE -

Mr. Sullivan reported on the meeting with the Department of Public Works (DPW) and what was discussed regarding the possibility of informational maps for tourists as they get off the boat and related other matters. Mr. Simmons discussed further items related to the transportation issue.

OPEN SPACE UPDATE -

Mark Adams distributed a further update of data which is to be a part of the regional open space plan.

A discussion of the various elements contained in the hand-out followed.

ITEM #5 - Possible Discussion - Harthaven DRI

The Chair noted that since the By-laws required a member from each town be present to vote or discuss a DRI and since that condition was not met then the discussion would be put off.

ITEM #6 - Possible Vote - Harthaven DRI

Postponed for the same reason as ITEM #5

ITEM #7 - New Business

The Chairman discussed the "joint hearing" with the Tisbury Planning Board on February 20, 1991. Mr. Best asked if everyone could be brought up to speed since only the LUPC really had discussed the matter.

Ms. Greene related the background of the letter. Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Best discussed a meeting that they had had with the Planning Board on similar matters.

A discussion of the presence of MVC Counsel followed. Mr. Best felt that the Commission needed to be present to discuss problems, if any, with the Planning Board.

Mr. Early felt that a letter should be sent by the Commission expressing a disappointment at the procedures used by the Planning Board in scheduling the meeting.
A discussion of this matter followed.
It was suggested that a copy of an agenda be requested from the Planning Board.
A discussion of the time of the meeting followed.
It was agreed to meet with MVC legal counsel before the meeting in Tisbury.
The Commission agreed to post the meeting on the 20th of February as a Special Meeting with legal counsel from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and then adjourn to join the Tisbury Planning Board at 8:00 p.m. in Tisbury.

ITEM #8 - Correspondence -
There was none.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ATTENDANCE:


Absent:

B. Combra, M. Donaroma, B. Hall, L. Sibley, J. Benoit, M. Allen, I. Davis, M. Geller