

THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 1992

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION MEETING

Jane Greene, Chairman of the Commission called the meeting to order at 7:41 P.M. and turned the proceedings over to Tom Sullivan, Clerk/Treasurer of the Commission.

Mr. Sullivan read the notice of the meeting and explained the steps that had occurred previously in developing the 1992-93 budget. He then introduced Norman Friedman, MVC Administrator who presented the proposed budget to the Commission members. Mr. Friedman explained what had been distributed and discussed how he developed the figures. He noted that the proposed budget was only \$1,800 more than the previous year and that the total local share being requested was the same. Mr. Friedman then explained the budget item by item and how they were developed.

Mr. Friedman then paused for questions - there were none. He then proceeded to explain the formula used to develop the town shares of funding. He noted that the equalized valuations changed and that accounts for the difference in the figures from last year.

Mr. Friedman noted that the Commission has always attempted to live within its budget and has never returned to ask for more funds.

Mr. Hall asked for an explanation of the grants and other income and how the monies were divided. Mr. Friedman explained the apportionment of monies between various undertakings of the Commission.

A discussion of future funding from state agencies followed.

Mr. Hall questioned how the current budget was faring. Mr. Friedman noted that the Commission was fairly solvent and had completed FY90-91 in fairly good shape.

Mr. Jason questioned the surety of the grant figures. Mr. Friedman noted that he was in heavy negotiation with all funding agencies and had received assurances of no less than present grants and hopefully an increase would follow.

A general discussion of funding from state agencies followed.

Mr. Schweikert questioned where the fees were accounted for.

Mr. Friedman noted that he had taken into account the reduction of potential income from DRIs.

All thanked Mr. Friedman for his efforts and Mr. Early expressed thanks for the use of the spread sheet. The Budget meeting concluded at 8:12 P.M.

Ms. Greene then continued with the business portion of the meeting.

ITEM #2 - Review Discussion - there was none.

ITEM #3 - Approval of Minutes of December 19, 1991

It was moved to approve as drafted, duly seconded. By voice vote, the minutes were approved with (6) abstentions.

ITEM #4 - Reports

Chairman's Report -

Ms. Greene welcomed Linda Marinelli as the new Oak Bluffs representative. She also noted that Mr. Alley had been appointed to represent the County.

LUPC -

Ms. Greene discussed the meeting regarding the mini golf and the changes that had been proposed or made.

PED - no report

Legislative Liaison -

Mr. Clarke discussed the various pieces of legislation that were of interest.

ITEM #5 - Possible Discussion - Gosselin/Melanson DRI

Linda Sibley left the table.

A further discussion of LUPC meeting followed. Mr. Early discussed the suggestion of an alternative lighting plan and explained his feelings regarding the plan that was presented. He questioned the need for an alternative.

A discussion of the lighting plan and the various aspects thereof followed.

Mr. Colaneri discussed the proposed lighting as originally presented and the fact that if there were to be an impact, it would be a lighting impact.

Mr. Sullivan discussed the original lighting plan and the possibility of creating worse impact.

Mr. Early suggested the imposition of some form of lighting standard to be met. A brief discussion of the location of the various poles followed.

Mr. Best questioned the various types of other lighting, ground lighting, colors, waterfall lighting, etc.

It was noted that there would be two lights shining on the waterfall and normal security lights on the building.

Mr. Colaneri discussed the marking of the trees that would remain. A discussion of the maintenance of as many existing trees as possible followed.

A discussion of what might happen should the lighting not work followed.

Mr. Donaroma discussed his feelings on the lighting issue.

A discussion of lowering the poles or adjusting the intensity of lights followed.

Mr. Early suggested that the LUPC, the applicant and his Lighting Engineer should sit down to develop a set of standards which needed to be met or else changes would be required.

A discussion of the number of foot candles being proposed

followed.

A discussion of the type of wording necessary to accomplish the creation of a performance standard followed.

The following wording was offered by Mr. Early to satisfy the lighting issue:

"that the applicant and his lighting engineer supply to the LUPC a performance standard to which the project must adhere and should this standard not be met with respect to the measurable light outside of the project boundaries then the applicant must submit a revised lighting plan"

A discussion of this matter followed.

Mr. Hoehn submitted a plan that had been received from the lighting engineer which would indicate the intensity of lighting within and outside of the project area. All felt that this was a good beginning of a standard.

Mr. Hall questioned the potential of a light on State Road. It was noted that the applicant had indicated a concern and could purchase the light and Commonwealth Electric would install same. A question of who would pay for the light bill followed.

Mr. Donaroma further discussed the amount of light needed and discussed what different arrangements might be designed. Mr. Sullivan further discussed the issue of lighting containment within sight.

A discussion of this issue followed.

A discussion of any precedence setting followed.

Mr. Hall raised an issue of the access and would the applicant be using the dump road should that road ever be made a town road. A discussion of this matter followed.

It was noted that there could be no change to an abutter's right to use an easement in existence even if the applicant were to change to the use of the dump road.

Ms. Greene asked if there was any discussion on the FY92-93 budget. There was none.

ITEM #6 - Possible Vote - Gosselin/Melanson DRI

It was moved to approve the DRI with conditions:

- meeting of a lighting standard
- use of the dump road in the future if possible
- natural vegetation retention and screening back to LUPC

Mr. Clifford noted that the curb cut could not be closed since the abutter had a right to use that curb cut.

The motion was seconded.

On a roll call vote the motion to approve the DRI with conditions and the draft written decision simultaneously passed with (3) abstentions.

ITEM #6 - Possible Vote - FY1992-1993 Budget
It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed budget.

ITEM #7 - Old Business - there was none.

ITEM #8 -

Ms. Greene appointed Alan Schweikert as Chair of LUPC and John Early as Chair of PED.
Mr. Best questioned the meetings in the future and noted that he would hope the Commission could become more involved in planning in certain areas.

Ms. Greene noted that a number of meetings were in process for future discussions. Mr. Clifford discussed proposed planning with professionals in the field of economics to address the future of the Island.

A discussion of the meeting on February 6 followed.

A discussion of inviting local boards of trade followed.

Ms. Sibley discussed the need to reach the local businessman on this issue. Mr. Best concurred and felt the press releases or other means should follow.

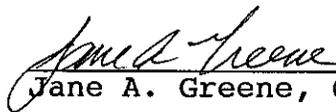
Mr. Early discussed the State meeting on Beach Road. Mr. Clifford explained the composition of the meeting and who would be attending.

Mrs. Marinelli discussed the MVC ByLaws and their relationship to the legislation. A brief discussion followed.

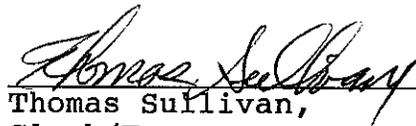
ITEM #9 - Correspondence - there was none.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 P.M.

ATTEST


Jane A. Greene, Chairman

2/06/92
Date


Thomas Sullivan,
Clerk/Treasurer

2/06/92
Date

Attendance

Present: Best, Colaneri, Donaroma, Early, Greene, Hall, Jason, Schweikert, Sibley, Sullivan, Marinelli, Clarke

Absent: Briggs, Bryant, Alley, Vanderhoop, Lee, Benoit, Allen, Bolling, Chapin, Gallagher