

THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

BOX 1447 • OAK BLUFFS
MASSACHUSETTS 02557
(508) 693-3453
FAX (508) 693-7894

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 1994

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION MEETING

The Martha's Vineyard Commission held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 20, 1994 at 8:00 pm in the Commission offices, Olde Stone Building, New York Avenue, Oak Bluffs, MA.

Michael Donaroma, Chairman of the Martha's Vineyard Commission called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm and introduced Dave Pritchard of the New England Steamship Foundation who discussed the coastal steamer Nobska and the efforts to save her. Mr. Pritchard then showed a video of the Nobska.

Mr. Pritchard further discussed the efforts to save the Nobska and what the Foundation envisioned for the future usage of the vessel. He discussed possible funding sources for the restoration and potential involvement of the State or Federal agencies. He described in detail the restoration plans and how the Foundation anticipated the operation of the vessel as a museum would be handled. He then discussed the proposed run and the various stops, the routes and the scheduled times. He then discussed other options open to the Foundation.

ITEM #3 - Approval of Minutes - September 15, 1994
Jennie moved that the Minutes be approved, duly seconded, so voted.

ITEM #4 - Chairman's Report - there was none.
LUPC - Mrs. Sibley reported that LUPC had reviewed three items. Mr. Martell's application for the Wesley Arms was reviewed, as they have reached resolutions with DEP on the septage issue. The applicant believed that only the septic and parking issues should have come before the LUPC. Our attorneys, however, feel that while another DRI fee is needed, there are no limitations as to what the MVC may review on this application. LUPC voted unanimously to recommend to full Commission that the full project should be reviewed by the MVC and that no additional fee be assessed.

Mrs. Sibley then reported that LUPC reviewed the Goodman and McDuck applications which will be reported on later.

PED - Mr. Early reported that attendance is increasing, and that staff members Heather Baldner and Sarah Laverty have brought some exciting ideas for the

committee to work on. There is an increased interest in starting a community development corporation. MVC staff briefly reviewed current planning literature in this area. Mr. Wilcox reported on the Agricultural Task Force activities relative to market expansion goals. Mr. Clifford added that he will be travelling with Commissioner Vanderhoop and staff member Jo-Ann Taylor to Chatham to meet with a group trying to establish a cod fish hatchery to replenish stock with a view toward establishing the same in Gay Head. He also reported that Mr. Karney is interested in expanding his shellfish breeding operation to additional sites.

Legislative Liaison - no report

- ITEM #6 - Possible Vote - Written Decision - Peter Sharp DRI
Mr. Colaneri moved to approve on Written Decision. Seconded by Mr. Early. Discussion ensued concerning the status of decks and patios vis-a-vis the building envelopes, and protection of view shed.

It was moved and seconded to amend the written decision by adding "No structure shall exceed 15½' elevation or 1½' above finished floor grade of 14' except to meet code as necessary". The amendment was approved unanimously.

The Commission than approved the Written Decision as amended unanimously.

- ITEM #5 - Old Business
Mr. Clifford reported on the status of several legal proceedings.

- ITEM #7 - New Business -
Ms. Greene moved that the MVC send letters in favor of the Nobska proposal to the SSA Governors. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Mr. Clifford explained the staff's efforts to address transportation issues that were raised this summer. He explained the current hearings and possible Task Force membership. He requested that Commissioners submit names of individuals they believe might be good to serve on Task Force.

Concurrence - Question

Mrs. Sibley reported on the LUPC position as to whether or not the Goodman proposal was a DRI or Not. The property is over 15 acres, and has been subdivided in the last 8 years, and is a DRI under Checklist Item #8. It's on the agenda because it does qualify under the "one a DRI, always a DRI" item. It was suggested that the MVC should simply state the

criteria under which the proposal should come to the MVC, if any.

Mr. Colaneri moved that the proposal need not be decided under "once a DRI" criteria as it qualifies on its own merit under Checklist Item #8. It was duly seconded and approved.

The MVC then considered the McDuck Trust proposal. Mrs. Sibley explained the proposal, which involved a non-conforming lot being sold to a neighbor which was insignificant under the "once a DRI always a DRI" provision. It was moved and seconded that this proposal qualified in its own right according to the Checklist, and asking the town to officially refer to the MVC. The motion was approved.

ITEM #8 - Correspondence -

Mr. Clifford reported on the Cape Cod Commission's November 2 Forum.

Mr. Clifford also reported that Tisbury Selectman Liz Wild is requesting that Mr. Wilcox sit on the Sewage Advisory Committee. It was moved and seconded that Mr. Wilcox represent the MVC on that committee. The motion was approved unanimously. The MVC also approved a motion asking the Atty. General to extend its deadlines in order to allow Tisbury and Oak Bluffs to properly review septic alternatives.

Motion to adjourn, duly seconded, was approved at 10:25 pm.

ATTEST


Michael J Donaroma,
Chairman

_____ Date


Jane A. Greene,
Clerk/Treasurer

11/17/94
Date

Attendance

Present: Colaneri, Donaroma, Early, Greene, Hall, Lazerow, Riggs, Schweikert, Sibley, Sullivan, Gallagher

Absent: Best, Briggs, Bryant, Jason, Sargent, Vanderhoop, Rubinoff, Allen, Bolling, Chapin