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Land Use Planning Committee Summary of July 12, 1999 Meeting Olde Stone Building

Members present: Christina Brown, Michael Colaneri, Michael Donaroma, Jane Greene,
Richard Toole,

Staff present: Christine Flynn, David Wessling

Others present: Joseph Forns

Meeting opened at 5:35 P.M.

Pier 44 (DRI #499)

The meeting began with Staff's summary of:
the proposal,
a history of the referrals and
the Executive Director's memos.

The Members outlined the interests of Tisbury's Conservation Commission and Board of Health.

Mr. Forns spoke to the Members in order to clarify their understanding of the Applicant's intent. He stressed that the planning/regulatory issues are related to the "property" rather than to the "pier". He then went on to discuss the "Chapter 91 license".

Mr. Toole asked Mr. Forns about an application for a Chapter 91 license. Mr. Forns explained that Pier 44 "has been licensed since 1935 and the use of the pier has been operational since 1955..." In response to Mr. Colaneri's questions, Mr. Forns described the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers procedures that were followed to repair the pier.

Mr. Forns and the Members then discussed the manner in which the Tisbury Board of Selectmen referred the project: does the referral pertain to the pier or to the property?

Mr. Forns continued to argue with the Selectmen's referral of the project since no material changes are proposed by the Applicant.

Given the ambiguity of the referral, the Members discussed setting guidelines for the

pending public hearing. Ms. Brown and Ms. Green suggested traffic and parking issues, site planning and pedestrian flows as subjects to be reviewed at the public hearing.

Mr. Forns explained the reasoning related to site planning and scheduling of pier/property-related activities.

Mr. Donaroma directed the Mr. Forns to prepare a pedestrian-vehicular activity based plan. He added that the capacity of the boats using the pier, historically and currently, should be presented.

Mr. Forns said that his presentation will focus on the impacts related to the multiple uses of the property. Managing the site would be the presentation's underlying theme. He then spoke of the importance of safety, scheduling and logistics

The Members instructed the Staff to work with the Applicant in order to outline a traffic impact study "scope". Traffic study is expected to take into consideration Schiamonchi arrivals/departures and mitigation of (potential) adverse impacts.

The Members insisted that all the outstanding planning/regulatory matters described in the correspondence between the Commission and town boards must be resolved in the Applicant's forthcoming report.

Mr. Donaroma urged Mr. Forns to present the report's preliminary findings at an LUPC meeting prior to the public hearing. Mr. Forns agreed. The Members clearly stated that until the report is reviewed by the Staff and the LUPC, the Applicant's proposal is incomplete.

Before the meeting's close, Mr. Forns asked the Members for their opinions as to temporary shelters. Mr. Colaneri and Ms. Green suggested that the Applicant seek the advise of the Tisbury Selectmen and other town boards.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 P.M.

Summary prepared by David Wessling