Minutes of the Island Road DCPC Committee Meeting
Held on October 27, 2011
Martha's Vineyard Commission, Stone Building, New York Ave.
Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioners: (P= Present; A= Appointed; E= Elected)
P  Christina Brown (E-Edgartown)       P  Doug Sederholm (E-Chilmark)
P  Erik Hammarlund (E-West Tisbury)     P  Fred Hancock, Chair (A-Oak Bluffs)

Staff: Jo-Ann Taylor (Coastal Planner, DCPC Coordinator), Bill Veno (Senior Planner), Mark London (Executive Director)

Chairman Fred Hancock called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

Fred Hancock invited review of the draft minutes from October 20. Erik Hammarlund moved to adopt the minutes as amended at the table. Doug Sederholm seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion of Section 5B Goals for the Special Ways Zone.

- There was consensus to include the ‘75 phrase “…new vehicular access should be on new rights-of-way…” in the Goals section.

There was a discussion of the Permitted Uses Part B. In 1975, the Permitted Uses included only those which did not result in direct vehicular access, and a Special Permit was required for any use resulting in direct vehicular access. The draft amendment would allow for vehicular uses as-of-right.

- It was noted that making more uses as-of-right would go hand in hand with broadening the scope of the Special Ways to include traveled ways.
- Of various alternatives, there was consensus that the Planning Board should be responsible for determining whether or not a use meets the criteria for as-of-right vehicular use (agenda item rather than full Special Permit review).
- It was noted that there might be an issue with opening up to traffic more of the way than needed, but determined that larger-scale developments would also need a Special Permit.

There was consensus to drop bullet (d) at line 110, as unnecessary.

There was discussion of Part 2. Uses allowed by Special Permit.

- There was consensus that all of the Special Permit uses should involve both a Special Permit and approval by the MVC as Developments of Regional Impact.

There was discussion of possibly separating out the traveled ways:

- Add another Zone to the Island Road District
- Separate traveled ways within the Special Ways Zone.

There was discussion of including specifics on maintenance. It was determined to leave that to the towns.
The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Jo-Ann Taylor, DCPC Coordinator

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 2, 8:15 a.m.

DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO DURING THE MEETING

- Island Road DCPC Committee Draft Amendments For Discussion Purposes Working Draft 10 21 11
- 2008 Amendments (negated in the “Judgment”, continued defense by MVC)
- 1975 Decision of the MVC Designating the Island Road District as a DCPC
- Critical Planning District Qualifications
- Chapter 831 of the Acts of 1977 as amended
- Minutes of October 20, 2011 (amended and approved during the meeting)