

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

MINUTES REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF JANUARY 2, 2020

Emergency Services Facility. 215 Spring Street. Tisbury, Massachusetts

CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 pm

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Pamela Goff, Richard Knight, Jr., Wesley Mott, Mary Robin Ravitch, Sarah Thulin, Nancy Weaver

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Kristen Reimann

TISBURY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

David Dandridge, Gerard Hokanson, Elaine Miller, Henry Nieder, Jeffrey Pratt, Lilian Robinson

TISBURY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

David Schwab

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

James Lengyel

NEW BUSINESS

1. Tashmoo Preserve (Town of Tisbury)

The Commission and Board met in joint session to discuss a draft intergovernmental agreement for management of the public lands at the end of the Herring Creek Road; it was dated December 27, 2019 and was prepared by staff following consultation with various town officials, including public works and safety personnel and the town administrator.

Board members agreed that the draft should be amended so as to call for the parties to confer annually as to each's performance in the preceding twelve months. After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously (1.) to approve the agreement, as amended, as a draft; and (2.) to forward it to the selectmen for their review. After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to concur with the Board's vote.

The cover memorandum to the selectmen will note that the agreement is written in a direct manner, in the interests of clarity, but that the directness should not be construed as land bank inflexibility as to its terms: the land bank is open to any amendments the town may wish to propose.

PUBLIC INPUT

Tashmoo Preserve (Town of Tisbury)

David Willis stated that he disagrees with nearly everything in the draft intergovernmental agreement; he enumerated each of his objections. Ms. Weaver responded to his comments; Mrs. Miller noted that the town/county beach has been "chaotic" and the goal is to bring some structure to its management.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Tashmoo Preserve (Town of Tisbury)

Apropos of the proposed streaming camera, Board members agreed that the cover memorandum to the selectmen should note that the draft agreement calls for it because the land bank understands the town to want it, but since some Board members question both its benefit and need the land bank will be interested in learning whether the selectmen consider it an essential part of the land management protocol here.

ADJOURNMENT

By a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn. 5:30 pm

By a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. 5:30 pm

certification: Wary Robin Ravitch, Secretary