



Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

via remote technology

CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 pm

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Pamela Goff, Wesley Mott, Kristen Reimann, Sarah Thulin, Nancy Weaver, Peter Wells

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

None

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

James Lengyel

OTHERS PRESENT DURING THE SESSION

Philip Cordella

PRESENTATION OF THE WARRANT

Warrant no. 2021-13 was made available for the Commission's inspection.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

By a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to approve the minutes as written.

COUNTY AND LAND BANK COMMISSION TREASURERS' REPORTS

None

TRANSFER FEE REVENUES

Revenues for the week ending September 18, 2020: \$607,550.00

TRANSFER FEE HEARINGS

1. Saul Damier (Town of West Tisbury)

The Commission conducted a hearing on Mr. Damier's request for an extension of the timetable by which he must domicile on his "m" property (transfer no. 60109). Mrs. Thulin opened the hearing at 3:04 pm.

Commissioners reviewed the contents of a September 14, 2020 email from Mr. Damier in which he reports that he is arranging for the construction of his home but is concerned that he may not meet the May 8, 2021 domicility timetable in his "m" lien. Mrs. Thulin closed the hearing at 3:05 pm.

After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to grant a one-year extension, to expire May 8, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Agency Administration: Personnel and Staffing

The Commission discussed the goatherd hiring process; the application deadline has now passed and the staff has identified the most promising candidates and conducted preliminary interviews.

After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to direct staff (1.) to supply, prior to its next meeting, a memorandum singling out the top candidate, summarizing this person's qualifications and all pertinent feedback from references; and (2.) to arrange for this candidate to meet with the Commission, in order to allow for a final vote.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Agency Administration: Public Input

Philip Cordella asked about the documents reviewed by the Commission during the regular session and was advised that the meeting administrator has them available for the public upon request before the meeting.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE WARRANT

The Commission endorsed Warrant no. 2021-13.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the purchase, lease, exchange or value of real property. Mrs. Thulin stated that the subjects to be discussed are the purchase or value of real property and declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Commission. She further announced that the Commission would not reconvene in regular session after the conclusion of the executive session. The Commission entered executive session at 3:14 pm.

certification: Wesley T. Mott
Wesley Mott, Secretary