



Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

OAK BLUFFS TOWN ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF APRIL 3, 2018

Public Library. Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts

CALL TO ORDER: 5:15 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Richard Coutinho, Elizabeth Durkee, Robert Hammett, Ewell Hopkins

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Christopher Alley, Melanie Bilodeau, Richard Toole

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Priscilla Sylvia

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

James Lengyel

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2017

By a motion made and seconded, the Board voted three in favor, none opposed and Mr. Hopkins abstaining to approve the minutes as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Board members Christopher Alley and Richard Toole joined the meeting at this time.

1. Southern Woodlands Reservation (County Road)

Apropos of the Commission's vote to file a petition-to-partition for its interest in a 7.6-acre lot here (tax parcel no. 43-54.1), Mr. Hopkins stated that the land bank's ownership "is somewhat in dispute with the town" and that the land is important as the town engages in a master planning process.

Board member Melanie Bilodeau joined the meeting at this time.

He asked about the confidentiality of the matter; Mr. Lengyel replied that there is never a confidentiality issue between public entities but instead only as regards the private interests in the lot.

Mr. Toole asked if the Water District still wished to pursue this land, or some of it. Mr. Hopkins replied that the Planning Board has not been informed by the Water District of any such planning.

Mr. Hopkins stated that his goal was for the town to be involved in resolving the title issues in the 7.6-acre lot. As no action was necessary, the Board took none.

2. Trade Wind Fields Preserve (County Road)

Mr. Toole asked about the timetable for the installation of the habitat-protection fence here. Mr. Lengyel reported that a contract has been signed and installation will begin in a few weeks; land bank staff will start preparations shortly.

3. Board Administration: Election of Officers

By a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Alley as chairman.

ADJOURNMENT

By a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. 5:39 pm