

Approved 2/21/07
TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
SELECTMENS MEETING
Wednesday, February 7, 2007, 4:30 p.m.

Present: Selectmen John Early, Skipper Manter, Jen Rand

Guests: Sue Silva, Ginny Jones, Prudy Burt, Mark Yale, Patrick Manning, E. Mendenhall, Bob Day, Barbara Day, S. Vaughn, R. Rohr, J. Ames, J. Revere, C. Riggs, R. Knabel

Minutes: *S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 1/24/07. J. Early seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Island Affordable Housing Trust: Patrick Manning introduced himself as the new Director of the IAHT, said he is a retired State Representative from the Hudson Valley who still owns a farm there. He said he has experience working with non-profits, but will be looking for advice and council from those that are familiar with the island.

Planning Board Appointment: Sue Silva called the Planning Board's meeting to order. Sue said Murray had moved off-island so the board had interviewed a few interested candidates and determined they would like to propose Leah Smith, currently an associate member, be appointed as a full member and Eric Hammerlund be appointed as associate.

S. Manter motioned to appoint Leah Smith to the Planning Board as a full member until the next election and Eric Hammerlund to the Planning Board as an Associate member until the next appointment period. J. Early seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor. The same motion was made on behalf of the Planning Board by Mark Yale, seconded by Ginny Jones and was also unanimous.

Vacation Carryover: *S. Manter motioned to allow Jen to carry-over 8 hours of unused vacation time. J. Early seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

Mill Pond: Prudy Burt told the Board that the Conservation Commission had not been surprised by anything in Keith Gazaille's report. They had wanted the big picture as they had received a lot of calls last year about the weeds. The report would indicate there is not a health problem with the pond, more aesthetic. Therefore, she said, the ConCom was not in a hurry to proceed with dredging, the pond is not in crisis. She said they did not want to put a money request on the warrant this spring. John said it might be wise to begin to put money aside so that when a decision is made as to what to do with the pond the town won't have to pay for it all in one year. Prudy said there was no point in spending more money on studies right now, instead, she said, the town should wait for the results of the Mass. Estuaries project to determine the best management practice. Skipper said he was trying to plan for the permitting step, which could take two years. Prudy said she might have more information next week, but wanted to know if the BOS wanted input in putting something on the warrant or did they want the Conservation Commission to be in charge of that. John said he thought the BOS should have input into funding strategies, but would leave the technical aspects to the ConCom. Barbara Day asked if CPA money could be used. Prudy said possibly.