

**Approved 6/4/08**  
**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**SELECTMENS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 26, 2008, 4:30 p.m.**

**Present:** Selectmen Glenn Hearn, Skipper Manter, Dianne Powers, Jen Rand

**Guests:** Nick Bayer, Ebba Hierta, Nelia Decker, Shelton and Janet Bank, Bill Haynes, Hermine Hull, Rez Williams, Bob Mone, Cindy Mitchell, Michael Colaneri, Marnie Stanton, Rich Olsen, Al DeVito, B. Stone, E. Mendenhall, R. Knabel, C. Riggs, J. Ames, B. Potts, J. Shea

**Minutes:** *D. Powers motioned to approve the minutes of 3/12/08. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Lights Out Martha's Vineyard:** Marnie Stanton said NStar would be doing a reading of the energy use before and during the program.

**Paths:** Ebba Hierta reiterated her concerns about the proposed path on Old County Road, including but not limited to safety, moving it to the easements and making it wide enough for bikes. Bill Haynes explained some of the reasons for the paths decisions to date. Hermine said the Paths Committee was not asked to build bike paths, so they were not doing so. Ebba asked the Board of Selectmen to pull the article. Glenn said the discussion should take place on town meeting floor or if the Paths Committee wished, a public forum before town meeting, he didn't think one person should be able to have an article pulled from the warrant. Skipper said he thought it seemed clear there was no one saying they didn't want a path, but they had questions about how to execute the path, and maybe the committee should consider that.

**Assessors:** Kristina West explained to the Board the impact the Drexler sale had on the other appraisals in the area. There were 4 lots not owned by Drexler that were directly impacted by this sale, many more lots were affected by the Manter and Sweet sales. Bob Mone noted that the Board was doing everything in their power to accept the abatement application from the Pease family. Skipper asked if the Board could include an addressed envelope for people to use when applying for an abatement. The Board of Assessors saw no problem with that. Kristina mentioned that she did call the Peases to let them know she had not received their application the day before it was due. Glenn said he appreciated that extra effort.

**Event Permit:** Jen said she had a request from the WT school to host a flea market over the summer. The Board took it under advisement until the Chief of Police signs off.

**Keno to Go:** The Board took no action.

**Contracts:** Diane said she had sought legal opinion as to the validity of the Vision contract. Town Counsel said he had consulted with the Attorney General's office and they concurred with his opinion that the contract was valid.