

**Approved 3/16/11**  
**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**SELECTMENS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 2, 2011, 4:30 p.m. – 6:02 p.m.**

**Present:** Selectmen Richard Knabel, Skipper Manter, Cindy Mitchell, Jennifer Rand.  
**Guests:** Brian Smith, P. Brannen, S. Silk, J. Bank, B&B Day, J. Hickey, B. Potts

**Minutes:** *S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 2/3/11 with an amendment. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

*S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 2/9/11. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

*S. Manter motioned to approve the minutes of 2/16/11 with an amendment. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Martha's Vineyard Commission Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) Checklist**

**Review:** Brian Smith told the Board that the DRI review takes place about every two years. This review will take most of this year, and in April they will have a forum to discuss adding single family homes to the checklist. Brian said that to date most of the people's comments about the Commission at the forums has been positive. He said the Board of Selectmen would most likely be asked to get involved in June.

**Mill Pond Dam:** Jen explained that the garden Club has asked the Town to add the Garden Club as "additionally insured" for the use of the dam. The Town has always carried the dam on their insurance, and now that it has become clear the town doesn't own it, the Garden Club is concerned about liability. She said it was likely the Town would own the dam in the future, and this would cost the town no additional money, so she thought it was a good idea.

*S. Manter motioned to list the Garden Club as additionally insured relative to the Mill Pond Dam. C. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**School Building Repairs:** Dr. Weiss sent a request to the Board asking that they appoint a representative to work with the school committee during the building repairs. Richard and Skipper both said they did not think this was the correct approach, instead a building committee should be appointed with people who knew about construction. Skipper noted that currently the process is informal with no way to know when the repairs are being discussed. Cindy thought perhaps there could be a compromise where there was not a formal building committee but more than one person representing the town. The Board will attend the School Committee meeting on 3/14/11 to discuss.

**Affordable Housing Legal Work:** Jen said the Affordable Housing Committee would like Access to Counsel to write a policy for the Town to accept deeded restrictions. Jen

said she would like the Board to allow her to plan the timing of the work once she knows how much money is left in the legal line. She was asked to get an estimate from Counsel for the cost of the work.

**Police Building Warrant Article:** Jen said she had added money to this article to allow funding to take the project all the way to the bid stage. She said this would keep the project on track for funding under the current Capital Improvements Plan. Richard asked why this project was not being delayed in light of the School building repairs. Cindy said it was not necessary, and in fact would allow the debt levels to remain fairly constant.

**Other:** Cindy said she had been certified for Incident Command System 402. She also said should it become open, she would like to be appointed to be the Selectmen's representative to TriTown.

**Alcohol & Special Events:** Cindy said she had spoken with Ron Rappaport about alcohol relative to the use of the Maley property. He noted that the Town had recently learned that any event that charged a fee to attend could not serve alcohol, this affected not only the Maley property but the Grange and the Agricultural Hall as well as a few private homes. Jen was asked to send a letter to those affected to make them aware. Jen said she would, but she had already spoken with some, and there were some events she had not known served alcohol or did not know were taking place.

**CPA Article:** Cindy said she thought the Board should be prepared at town meeting to speak to the CPA article as soon as it comes up. She thought the Board should be prepared to explain the ramifications of various scenarios so the votes could make an informed decision about how they wanted to proceed. Richard asked what the minimum percentage could be. Skipper said he thought .5% would be acceptable. Jen will ask Counsel.