

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

MINUTES REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2023

via remote technology

CALL TO ORDER: 3:01 pm

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

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

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Steven Ewing, Peter Wells

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Harrison Kisiel, James Lengyel

OTHERS PRESENT DURING THE SESSION

Philip Cordella, David Greenman (Martha's Vineyard Times), Thomas Humphrey (Vineyard Gazette)

PRESENTATION OF THE WARRANT

Warrant no. 2024-20 was made available for the Commission's inspection.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Hearing no proposed additions, Mr. Mott declared the agenda approved as printed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 30, 2023

By a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted in a roll call vote four in favor, none opposed and Mrs. Reimann abstaining to approve the minutes as amended.

COUNTY AND LAND BANK COMMISSION TREASURERS' REPORTS

None

TRANSFER FEE REVENUES

Revenues for the week ending November 3, 2023: \$980,467.50

NEW BUSINESS

James Pond Preserve (Town of West Tisbury)

Mr. Kisiel reported that he examined options for purchasing a ±300'-long mobility-mat here to bring visitors to the dune; he found a single-source — Deschamps Mat Systems, Inc. — that sells the particular product the land bank is seeking and the price is \$18,621.04.

Questions were asked as to (1.) whether the quote matches his original estimate, which he reported it exceeds, by \$2000; (2.) whether this will render the entire preserve ADA-compliant, which he reported it will not owing to the pitch of the dune; and (3.) the mat's expected lifetime, which he estimated at 50 years (especially long given that it will be seasonally removed and stored off-premises).

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

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Agency Administration: Public Input

Philip Cordella spoke to the (1.) receipt of public records; and (2.) the conduct of the meeting.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE WARRANT

The Commission endorsed Warrant no. 2024-20.

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. Mr. Mott 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. He 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:

Kristen Reimann, Secretary