

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2025

via remote technology

CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 pm

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Frederick Khedouri, Wesley Mott, Kristen Reimann, Sarah Thulin, Nancy Weaver,
Peter Wells

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Steven Ewing

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Winston Bell, James Lengyel, Julie Russell

OTHERS PRESENT DURING THE SESSION

Addison Antonoff (*Vineyard Gazette*), Philip Cordella

PRESENTATION OF THE WARRANT

Warrant no. 2025-35 was made available for the Commission's inspection.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 27, 2025

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

COUNTY AND LAND BANK COMMISSION TREASURERS' REPORTS

None

TRANSFER FEE REVENUES

Revenues for the week ending January 31, 2025: \$211,255.00

NEW BUSINESS

1. Agency Land Management: Purchase of Equipment

The Commission reviewed quotes received for the purchase of a livestock shade wagon for the grazing program, arrayed in descending order by price: (1.) Serrated Shade, \$22,000 plus estimated \$3,000 shipping; (2.) Shade Haven, \$16,000 plus estimated \$3,000 shipping; and (3.) All-Cattle Shade, \$7,000 plus estimated \$2,000 shipping. \$59,000 remains in the livestock management budget.

Mr. Bell noted that the Serrated Shade product is highly portable (can be disassembled in minutes); includes a built-in suspended mineral trough to prevent waste; and is particularly wind-resistant. Shade Haven's product is reasonably portable (thirty minutes to disassemble) and fairly wind-resistant. All-Cattle's is not particularly portable or wind-resistant. He stated that Serrated Shade's product is the best of the three.

Commissioners discussed (1.) the importance of wind-resistance here; (2.) the reality that a shade wagon "is a necessity, not a luxury"; (3.) the shade wagon used with the previous herd, for goats, which didn't last; and (4.) the particular durability of the Serrated Shade product (except for the tarp itself, which can be replaced).

After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to award the purchase to Serrated Shade.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Agency Administration: Public Input

Philip Cordella spoke to Warrant no. 2025-34.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE WARRANT

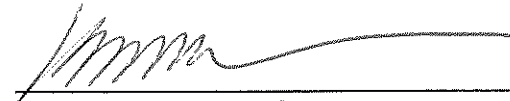
The Commission endorsed Warrant no. 2025-35.

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 3:15 pm.

certification:



Kristen Reimann, Secretary