



# Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

## MINUTES REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2025

via remote technology

CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 pm/

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Steven Ewing, Frederick Khedouri, Kristen Reimann, Sarah Thulin, Nancy Weaver,  
Peter Wells

LAND BANK COMMISSIONERS ABSENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Wesley Mott

STAFF PRESENT AT CALL TO ORDER

Harrison Kiesel, James Lengyel, Julie Russell

OTHERS PRESENT DURING THE SESSION

Sharon Cooke, Philip Cordella, James Graham

PRESENTATION OF THE WARRANT

Warrant no. 2026-20 was made available for the Commission's inspection.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Hearing no proposed additions, Ms. Weaver declared the agenda approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 10, 2025

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

COUNTY AND LAND BANK COMMISSION TREASURERS' REPORTS

None

TRANSFER FEE REVENUES

Revenues for the week ending November 14, 2025: \$479,618.50

## NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Agency Administration: Personnel and Staffing

Mr. Kisiel recommended, pursuant to the Commission's November 10, 2025 vote, the hiring of Colin Coates and Jonathan Thibodeau as conservation land assistants. He outlined each's qualifications and further recommended that both be placed on step 4 of grade 8, which is \$69,422. The appointments would commence as of January 1, 2026.

After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to accept the staff recommendation.

*Commissioner Wesley Mott joined the meeting during the following discussion.*

### 2. Gay Head Moraine Reservation (Town of Aquinnah)

Staff reported that the Aquinnah Town Advisory Board, at its November 12, 2025 meeting, voted to approve an amended version of the draft updated management plan that the Commission approved at its September 22, 2025 meeting. Commissioners reviewed the various amendments, which concerned trail relocations discussed at the Board's public hearing.

After discussion and by a motion made and seconded, the Commission voted unanimously in a roll call vote to approve the plan, as amended.

## PUBLIC INPUT

None

## ENDORSEMENT OF THE WARRANT

The Commission endorsed Warrant no. 2026-20.

## 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. Ms. Weaver 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. She further announced that the Commission would not reconvene in regular session after the conclusion of the executive session. The Commission entered executive session at 3:16 pm.

certification: Steven Ewing  
Steven Ewing, Secretary