Edgartown Planning Board - Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 8, 2021, 4:00 PM

The Edgartown Planning Board scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, March 8, 2021, 4:00 PM.

The meeting was audio and video recorded. Attendees participated by video conference, in accordance with Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020. All supporting materials were provided to the members of this body and made available on a publicly accessible internet website. Members of the public were able to access the site, using the instructions included in the Meeting Agenda. The public was encouraged to follow along using the posted agenda. Deviations from the agenda, if any, were noted.

SITE VISITS

No site visits were scheduled.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mr. McCourt called the meeting to order at 4 PM, and called the roll:

MASCOLO: PRESENT
MORGAN: PRESENT
CISEK: PRESENT
MCCOURT: PRESENT
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A quorum was declared.

The board reserved the right to address unscheduled agenda items out of order, for the convenience of the Board.

ZONING BYLAW WARRANT ARTICLES / MVC UPDATE

Pool House Definition

Mr. Finn noted that Reade Milne (Building Inspector) had recommended withdrawing the proposed definition for a pool house. Portions of an email were read.

There was some discussion, with Mr. Searle and Mr. Morgan expressing support for keeping the definition in; Mr. McCourt suggested that a more comprehensive discussion might be in order. Mr. Mascolo asked whether a 'checklist' for review of pool-house applications might be useful. There was discussion about some of the more expansive pool-houses, whether a person could build a guest house next to a pool, etc. Mr. Finn noted that the building inspector had concluded that the pool house definition along would not serve a useful purpose at this point.

Ms. Morrison noted her opinion that the definition should stay in. Mr. McCourt noted that the definition could be confusing on its own.

It was MOVED by Morrison SECONDED by

To remove the pool-house definition from the proposed warrant article, and table the discussion to the fall, when the definition and use regulations can be considered and developed.

VOTED:

MASCOLO: YES MORRISON: YES SEARLE: YES CISEK: YES MCCOURT: YES

APPROVED 5, 0, 0. (4:12 PM)

(A delay in the meeting due to internet connection issues at Town Hall -- Meeting continued at 4:17 PM.)

Cape Pogue Regulations

Mr. Finn noted that the Planning Board had received letters from abutters to the Cape Pogue area, Brendan O'Neil, Vineyard Conservation Society, and Sam Hart (Trustees of Reservations), both asking to retain their appointments to the Cape Pogue DCPC Advisory Committee. The committee would consist of a total of fifteen members, with eight necessary for a quorum

It was MOVED by Searle SECONDED by Morrison

To retain the appointments by the Trustees of Reservations and the Vineyard Conservation Society, as described.

VOTED:

MASCOLO: YES MORRISON: YES SEARLE: YES CISEK: YES MCCOURT: YES

APPROVED 5, 0, 0. (4:20 PM)

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Payroll; Approval of minutes of January 5, January 12, January 19; Upcoming Events

Due to technical issues, approval of minutes was deferred to a later meeting.

Mr. Finn asked if proposed work at the 59 North Street tower would require a hearing before the Board. The Board agreed that it should.

Mr. Finn noted the upcoming presentation by Ralph Wilmer, from the MAPC, open to all, discussing the process of Master Planning.

OTHER BUSINESS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE

Mr. Searle asked some questions in regard to 222 Upper Main Street, and the progress of the physical improvements. Mr. Finn noted that the work had a valid permit from the Building Inspector's office, and that no commercial use of the structure is permitted. There was some discussion as to the process of review, the allowance of work prior to the issuance of the use permit, and other zoning issues relative to other properties in the immediate vicinity. Mr. Finn noted that the public hearing relative to the 222 Upper Main Street property would continue on March 16.

Ms. Morrison noted her interest in continuing as the Planning Board representative to the Meshacket Affordable Housing Ad Hoc Committee, and asked for board concurrence. Without objection.

ADJOURN

It was MOVED by Mascolo, SECONDED by Searle

To Adjourn.

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

(4:30 PM)

Minutes APPROVED by a vote of the Planning Board on June 22, 2021.

Certified:

Douglas Finn, Planning Board Assistant