

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NONVOTING TAXPAYERS
Notes of meeting 10 A.M., SATURDAY, August 6, 2022 via Zoom

1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Gary Beller, Bill Gardner, Don Greene, Peter Halle, Peter Kahn and Bill Sherman; Member absent: Lou Bassano. Members of the public included John Kitchener, Franci Neely, Jeff Parker and Ken Roman. Guest Speaker Stephen Arceneaux, Director, Department of Public Works (DPW).
2. Chair Peter Halle opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m., read the script for Zoom meetings provided by the town and with a quorum present, the agenda for today's meeting and draft minutes for the July 9, 2022 meeting were both approved by roll call vote.
3. Peter welcomed guest speaker, Steve Arceneaux with a brief introduction of his background and experience.
4. Steve shared his philosophy on the current and future operation of and staffing strategies for the Department of Public Works. The principal planned DPW projects include a complete redo of Pleasant Street including the drainage, pavement and curbing along with storm water containment and drainage improvements in response to increased incidents of flooding in town. Steve seeks to implement and improve inter-departmental collaboration, communication and planning to more efficiently use the limited resources across the town departments. Steve is actively seeking input from groups like ACNVT. He supports better enforcement of existing regulations, delegation of authority to his next level supervisors, and adding manpower from the Nantucket community pool of skilled labor. By actively recruiting and training people from the Nantucket community who have equipment repair and operation skills, or who want to acquire them, he hopes to increase retention and keep the equipment in better operating order.
5. Steve answered questions from the committee about staffing (approximately half of what is needed to effectively operate the DPW) and prioritization of projects (hindered by staff limitations and sometimes inoperable equipment awaiting parts and repair). He also discussed the life span of the current DPW facility.
6. After some discussion regarding the ACNVT appointment of representatives to the town's Short Term Rental Working Group (STRWG), it was agreed that the three appointees will be selected from the 8 current ACNVT members based on stated interest and commitment to the requirements documented in the STRWG framework. Members were encouraged to review the published requirements and state their level of interest at the next scheduled meeting, on August 20. The three

appointees will then have 6 days to complete and submit the required paperwork to the town by the August 26th deadline.

7. The scheduled speaker for our August 20 meetings will be the newly hired Transportation Planner (Patrick Reed). Peter Halle will continue the outreach to schedule speakers for remaining meetings.
8. Public comment took place regarding a letter sent to ACNVT from the Monomoy Civic Association (attached).
9. There was a motion, seconded and approved by roll call to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Baird, Secretary

The following link represents the recording of this meeting located on the Town of Nantucket YouTube website.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmtmkKhbubY>



MONOMOY

CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Mr. Gary A. Beller
Chair
Advisory Committee of Non-Voting Taxpayers
16 Broad Street
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Ms. Libby Gibson
Nantucket Town Manager

Nantucket Select Board % Erica Mooney

Dear Ms. Gibson, Mr. Beller and ACNVT members, and Select Board,

I am co-president of the Monomoy Civic Association (MCA). We understand that the ACNVT will appoint a representative to serve on the task force being formed to consider the important issue of short-term rentals (STRs) on Nantucket. The membership of MCA unanimously voted on July 9, 2022 to share our views about STRs with you. Many of our members are non-voting taxpayers.

Our membership unanimously approved a local area plan for Monomoy (MAP) that will be on the agenda of the PG&EDC for its meeting on August 22. The recommendations made in the MAP are based on the results of a survey of Monomoy property owners. STRs were a subject of the survey. The results were unambiguous. More than 140 members responded to the survey. More than 2/3 of the respondents stated that they were **OPPOSED** to commercial STRs in Monomoy.

Earlier this year the ACNVT voted to support Article 42 which would have allowed purely commercial STRs in any neighborhood. As far as we know, the ACNVT did not poll its constituency before this vote. We hope that does not occur again. The position taken by the ACNVT earlier this year is in stark contradiction to the wishes of the non-voting taxpayers of Monomoy.

Sincerely,

Franci Neely, Co-President of the Monomoy Civic Association

Cc: Evan Jones, Co-President of the Monomoy Civic Association