

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes of the Meeting of 2 January 2008 at 2:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Land Bank Conference Room, 22 Broad Street, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Patricia Roggeveen, Whiting Willauer, Allen Reinhard and Michael Kopko. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.

WORKSHOP MEETING

Review and Discussion Regarding Strategic Planning (continued from 12 December 2007).

Chairman Willauer reviewed a handout he prepared containing various questions associated with the development of a strategic plan for the Town of Nantucket that he believes are essential to the development of such a plan. Chairman Willauer asked for Board comments. Mr. Reinhard stated he agrees with the Chairman's "question-based" approach. Mr. Kopko stated he believes a strategic plan process as being both budget-based and a prioritization process. Some discussion followed concerning Board members' philosophy of how budgeting relates to planning.

Ms. Roggeveen spoke about what she believes the Board can control with regard to the scope of a plan and what guidance can be given to other outside groups which may provide input into a strategic plan. Ms. Roggeveen expressed her opinion that the Board needs to take a leadership role in this regard. Mr. Reinhard stated he feels the Board should also have a policy on growth, and discussion followed as to what topics should be addressed in a strategic plan and whether or not there is a need for community consensus on a final plan.

Town Administrator C. Elizabeth Gibson encouraged the Board to first develop a vision, then a strategic plan with some routine review of goals. Some discussion followed on how best to develop a vision statement and there was general agreement to have one overall vision statement with additional statements addressing each of the seven existing goal areas. It was agreed that each selectman will bring forward draft vision statements to be reviewed at the Board's January 9, 2008 meeting.

Chairman Willauer noted that today's meeting is also posted as a Board of Health meeting and initiated some discussion concerning a proposed position statement prepared by Town Counsel relating to a site assignment hearing in connection with an application by Reis Trucking for a construction and demolition processing facility near the Airport, and a motion by Mr. Reis' attorney prohibiting any Board of Health discussion on the topic of a gasification facility. Some discussion followed concerning the criteria under which the Board of Health may make its site assignment decision. Ms. Roggeveen expressed concern about the position statement and legal thresholds. Mr. Chadwick concurred with Ms. Roggeveen. After some additional discussion, Mr. Kopko moved to file the statement; seconded by Mr. Reinhard. More discussion followed as to legal ramifications and/or benefits of filing the statement. So voted, with Chairman Willauer, Mr. Kopko and Mr. Reinhard voting in favor; Ms. Roggeveen and Mr. Chadwick were opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Approved the 23rd day of January, 2008.