MEETING POSTING
TOWN OF NANTUCKET
Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, § 18-25
All meeting notices and agenda must be filed and time stamped with the
Town Clerk’s Office and posted at least 48 hours prior to the meeting
(excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays)

Committee/Board/s | Advisory Committee of Nonvoting Taxpayers
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Day, Date, and Time | Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 10 a.m.
Location / Address | REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM Pursuant to Governor Baker’s March 12, 2020 Order Regarding Open Meeting Law (Attached); the meeting will be aired at a later time on the Town’s Government TV YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-sqxA1fdoxteLNzRAUHlxA
Signature of Chair or Authorized Person | /s/ Kathy Baird, Secretary 7/21/20

WARNING: IF THERE IS NO QUORUM OF MEMBERS PRESENT, OR IF MEETING POSTING IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OML STATUTE, NO MEETING MAY BE HELD!

AGENDA
Please list below the topics the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting
PLEASE LOG IN 15 MINUTES EARLY TO ENSURE CONNECTIVITY
To Join Zoom Meeting:
https://zoom.us/j/93524600507?pwd=VmZVbXZ0emZSNXRZQlpoU0FWaWx0Zz09
Meeting ID: 935 2460 0507
Password: 307947

1. Reading of Script for Remote Zoom Meeting and compliance with revised Open meeting Law
2. Membership count for quorum
3. Approval of this agenda
4. Approval of proposed minutes for meetings of July 11, 2020, if quorum present
5. Presentation by Tucker Holland, (Municipal Housing Director)
6. Q&A from members for Tucker Holland
7. Update from Gary Beller on Coastal Resiliency Advisory Committee (CRAC) and request for feedback from ACNVT (See attached CRAC recommendation to Select Board)
   7(a) Q & A from members for Vince Murphy (Coastal Resiliency Coordinator, attending as a guest)
8. Discussion of topics/speakers for future meetings --- see possible agenda items listed below
9. Member discussion about ACNVT Mission; Additional member concerns, requests, comments
10. Any public comments
11. Any unanticipated items
12. Adjournment

Possible topics for this or future meetings:

- D.P.W. Garbage dump, and proposed changes, road signage, and road repair
- Finance committee member or members
- Perhaps the police chief and fire chief
- Sea Level Rise
- Traffic flow improvements
- Peace and Quiet (keeping mechanical and amplified noise - and intrusive lighting - to a reasonable minimum).
- Update on Harbor Place and related transportation issues
- Possible recommendation to Select Board re licensing, inspection of short-term seasonal vacation home rentals
- Update on paid in-town parking, demand management parking
- Funding of transportation upgrades
- Affordable housing, use of $20M fund
- Richmond Group project off Old South Road, Surfside Crossing 40B project, safe harbor status
- National Grid’s proposed enhanced L8 power line from in-town power station to Milestone Rotary
- Status of Town alternative energy and energy efficiency initiatives and National Grid response re delaying or foregoing third seabed power cable from the mainland (with Lauren Sinatra), also Nantucket PowerChoice
Coastal Resilience Advisory Committee (CRAC) recommendation to Select Board

Recommendation

Pending the Select Board’s acceptance of a detailed Coastal Resilience Plan and its specific project recommendations (for which an RFP is currently in the procurement process), the CRAC proposes the following recommendation to the SB:

“The CRAC recommends all Town Departments, Boards, Commissions and Committees and any service providers, contracted engineers and consultants need to be aware of and need to use the NOAA “High” projections to accommodate moderate storm surge as well as Sea Level Rise in their decisions, deliberations and project planning. These data are periodically updated by NOAA and will be posted on the CRAC page on the Town’s website.”

Intent

The purpose of the recommendation is to supplement FEMA flood elevations as it does not include sea level rise.

Supporting information

Sea Level Rise (SLR) data and Coastal Resilience strategies are listed in the Town of Nantucket Coastal Resilience Risk Assessment and Strategies report that was accepted by the Town in January 2020: https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/35045/Coastal-Risk-Assessment-and-Resiliency-Strategies-Report-January-2020-PDF. This is now a guiding document for CRAC and should be used by all Town staff and vendors to make public infrastructure and private construction & development projects more resilient to Sea Level Rise and coastal flooding. Projects should look at the Sea Level Rise scenarios appropriate for their expected useful life.

Nantucket Sea Level Rise projections

NOAA has developed specific Sea Level Rise projections specific to Nantucket. Due to the orientation of the harbor, and the position of the island off the Northeast coast, the island is projected to experience higher levels of Sea Level Rise than the global average.
ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS
OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW, G. L. c. 30A, § 20

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, I, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting pursuant to the powers provided by Chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950 and Section 2A of Chapter 17 of the General Laws, declared that there now exists in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a state of emergency due to the outbreak of the 2019 novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, many important functions of State and Local Government are executed by "public bodies," as that term is defined in G. L. c. 30A, § 18, in meetings that are open to the public, consistent with the requirements of law and sound public policy and in order to ensure active public engagement with, contribution to, and oversight of the functions of government; and

WHEREAS, both the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health ("DPH") have advised residents to take extra measures to put distance between themselves and other people to further reduce the risk of being exposed to COVID-19. Additionally, the CDC and DPH have advised high-risk individuals, including people over the age of 60, anyone with underlying health conditions or a weakened immune system, and pregnant women, to avoid large gatherings.

WHEREAS, sections 7, 8, and 8A of Chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950 authorize the Governor, during the effective period of a declared emergency, to exercise authority over public assemblages as necessary to protect the health and safety of persons; and

WHEREAS, low-cost telephone, social media, and other internet-based technologies are currently available that will permit the convening of a public body through virtual means and allow real-time public access to the activities of the public body; and

WHEREAS section 20 of chapter 30A and implementing regulations issued by the Attorney General currently authorize remote participation by members of a public body, subject to certain limitations;
NOW THEREFORE, I hereby order the following:

(1) A public body, as defined in section 18 of chapter 30A of the General Laws, is hereby relieved from the requirement of section 20 of chapter 30A that it conduct its meetings in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, provided that the public body makes provision to ensure public access to the deliberations of the public body for interested members of the public through adequate, alternative means.

Adequate, alternative means of public access shall mean measures that provide transparency and permit timely and effective public access to the deliberations of the public body. Such means may include, without limitation, providing public access through telephone, internet, or satellite enabled audio or video conferencing or any other technology that enables the public to clearly follow the proceedings of the public body while those activities are occurring. Where allowance for active, real-time participation by members of the public is a specific requirement of a general or special law or regulation, or a local ordinance or by-law, pursuant to which the proceeding is conducted, any alternative means of public access must provide for such participation.

A municipal public body that for reasons of economic hardship and despite best efforts is unable to provide alternative means of public access that will enable the public to follow the proceedings of the municipal public body as those activities are occurring in real time may instead post on its municipal website a full and complete transcript, recording, or other comprehensive record of the proceedings as soon as practicable upon conclusion of the proceedings. This paragraph shall not apply to proceedings that are conducted pursuant to a general or special law or regulation, or a local ordinance or by-law, that requires allowance for active participation by members of the public.

A public body must offer its selected alternative means of access to its proceedings without subscription, toll, or similar charge to the public.

(2) Public bodies are hereby authorized to allow remote participation by all members in any meeting of the public body. The requirement that a quorum of the body and the chair be physically present at a specified meeting location, as provided in G. L. c. 30A, § 20(d) and in 940 CMR 29.10(4)(b), is hereby suspended.

(3) A public body that elects to conduct its proceedings under the relief provided in sections (1) or (2) above shall ensure that any party entitled or required to appear before it shall be able to do so through remote means, as if the party were a member of the public body and participating remotely as provided in section (2).

(4) All other provisions of sections 18 to 25 of chapter 30A and the Attorney General’s implementing regulations shall otherwise remain unchanged and fully applicable to the activities of public bodies.

This Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded or until the State of Emergency is terminated, whichever happens first.
Given in Boston at 8:49 PM this 12th day of March, two thousand and twenty.

CHARLES D. BAKER
GOVERNOR
Commonwealth of Massachusetts