

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NONVOTING TAXPAYERS

Minutes of Public meeting 10 A.M., SATURDAY, April 15, 2023 via Zoom

1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Gary Beller, Bill Gardner, Don Green, Peter Halle, Peter Kahn, and Pamela Suan. Members absent: Lou Bassano and Bill Sherman. A quorum was present. Also present were guests: Gene Briskman, Ralph Kuncel, Donna Martino, and Steve Perelman.
2. At 10:08 AM the Chair Peter Halle convened the meeting and read the Virtual Meeting Script.
3. The Agenda for today's meeting was moved for approval, seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Approval of the minutes from the March 28 meeting was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Peter Kahn gave an overview of the March 28 STRWG meeting where the Data Analyst presented the status and selection criteria for the on-line platform data aggregator, noting initial data expected at the end of April. He noted that there appears to be an acceptance of policy that treats year round and seasonal residents the same way. The STRWG moderator has drafted a status and progress statement for public release prior to town meeting. Concern was voiced regarding the editorial bias in the Inquirer and Mirror which is pushing for a vote on Article 60 despite the town's request to wait until the Special Town Meeting in the fall. Town Counsel's opinion was shared regarding the STR-related articles at the Select Board and special STRWG subgroup meetings this week. Peter H. noted the danger to the town based on a worst case UMass interpretation of the impacts of Article 60. The Monomoy Civic Association (mostly non-voting taxpayers) survey results relative to STRs were mentioned as the only known input on the subject other than the STRWG public input meeting in December. Peter K. noted that Town Counsel's recommendation was to craft a zoning bylaw that codifies the legality of STRs in residential zones and link it to general bylaw(s) to regulate their operation.
6. Peter K. moved and it was seconded to prepare a statement in support of the PB/SB/FINCOM recommendation to 'not adopt' Article 60 which is strengthened with recent Town Counsel opinion on its ambiguity, legal and economic impacts. The motion passed unanimously. Since in-person ACNVT representation at Annual Town Meeting (ATM) will not be possible this year, Pam will draft the statement for Peter K's approval, with a request for it to be read at ATM by the moderator.
7. Hybrid meetings will be planned starting June 24 with potential guest speakers including Libby Gibson, Mike Burns, Coastal Resilience Advisory Committee (Leah Hill or Vince Murphy), DPW Deputy Director Richard Moore, Newly elected Select Board member(s), Planning Board, Finance Committee.
8. Next ACNVT meetings are scheduled via Zoom for 10am Saturday, May 13 and June 10, 2023.
9. Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed unanimously at 11:32 am.

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=DsQJ2FenRPI>