



NANTUCKET TOWN ASSOCIATION

Meeting on January 23, 2018, at 4:00 pm
In the Gallery of the Nantucket Atheneum

DRAFT MINUTES FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Present: Mary Anne Easley, Peter Louderback, Colleen McLaughlin, Gail Norton, Lee Saperstein, Anne Terry, Henry Terry, and John Wagley.

Guest: Lauren Sinatra, Nantucket Energy Coordinator

I. Call to Order.

President Henry Terry called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm in the Gallery of the Nantucket Atheneum. He declared that a quorum of members was present.

II. Approval of minutes of the Meeting of October 24, 2017.

Before calling for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 24, 2017, Henry Terry informed the group of two things. The first was that, for a lack of a quorum, there was no meeting in November, which is why we are reviewing October's minutes. The second was that there is a correction to the Treasurer's Report for that meeting. The corrected report is attached to the final-and-approved minutes of that meeting and is attached to these minutes for information.

With the correction to the Treasurer's report noted, Anne Terry moved approval of the minutes and Colleen McLaughlin seconded it; approval was unanimous.

III. Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Anne Terry reported (attached) a deposit of \$45.00 in dues payments, expenditures of \$435.00, and a balance of \$4,408.88. Colleen McLaughlin moved and Gail Norton seconded acceptance of the report; approval was unanimous.

IV. New Business

Charlie Stott, co-President of the Civic League, has been in discussion with ReMain Nantucket about bike racks. They would like our input for additional locations for racks in the downtown area. Henry Terry said that if we had suggestions on rack design and location, to send them to him and he would forward them to Charlie Stott. Colleen McLaughlin would like to see secure storage cages for bicycles in some downtown locations such as the Greenhound transportation

center or the Washington Street Town lot. She asked Henry Terry to ask if any consideration was being given to such a form of secure storage.

In the next item, Henry Terry asked if we want to remain as a member of the Chamber of Commerce. To answer that question, Peter Louderback suggested that we invite a representative of the Chamber to discuss benefits of membership. Right now, we are in arrears; also, the Civic League is a member and we should ask if their membership provides us with a link to the Chamber. Colleen McLaughlin and Peter Louderback will visit the Chamber on Thursday evening for a social event and will ask them about benefits. It was suggested that we should be ask them how membership will help us to recruit members to the Nantucket Town Association.

The next issue was to consider a donation to the Atheneum in recognition of all that they do for us. Colleen McLaughlin moved a donation of \$250.00 to the Atheneum. Anne Terry seconded it and all were in favor.

In another item of New Business, Henry Terry asked if we should compensate Alexandra LaPaglia for the work that she does on our web site. Mary Anne Easley agreed that we should but that it should be invoiced and accounted for in our reports. She moved that the Treasurer be enabled to pay these bills and Colleen McLaughlin seconded it; all were in favor.

In a final item, Peter Louderback suggested that we clarify our “special” relationship with the Civic League. Because we are concerned for Town issues, we are very interested in public forums; should we, for example, be listed as a sponsor. He asked that Henry Terry discuss this with Civic League co-Presidents Peter Morrison and Charlie Stott

V. Old Business

There was none.

VI. Speaker.

Lauren Sinatra, Nantucket’s Energy Coordinator, was introduced by Henry Terry. She said that she had prepared a major report for the Board of Selectmen but the meeting at which she was due to speak was canceled due to inappropriate posting. To start, she explained that all of the material that she will share with the group can be found on two web sites; www.ackenergy.org and the pages for the Energy Office on the Town’s web site, <http://nantucket-ma.gov/136/Energy-Office>.

The report that was prepared for the Board of Selectmen appears as a memorandum on the front page of the Ackenergy site and has an embedded hot link that permits it to be opened with a single click of the cursor:

http://www.ackenergy.org/uploads/3/4/9/7/3497858/energy_update_1_17_18.pdf.

The first page of the memorandum has announcements, which she quickly reviewed, on peak demand, rates and rate changes, solar panel rebates and tax incentives, and the withdrawal of the Cape Wind project. She then reviewed potential cost savings in municipal facilities due to advice she gave on energy efficiency initiatives; these included savings for the Water Company,

the fire stations, both old and new, the sewer treatment plant, and the proposed rental housing at 6 Fairgrounds Road.

Under the heading of solar initiatives, she spoke about a potential grant to pay for 90 percent of the cost of a roof-mounted solar photo-voltaic, PV, array to go on the South Shore Sewer Treatment Plant. Wannacomet Water Company is looking for a location within their Wyer's Valley site for a PV array. Within the realm of private installations of solar PV arrays, she mentioned the work done by the Worcester Polytechnic Institute students on this subject. The number of private arrays is growing and they are identified on an interactive solar map available on the Town's web site: <http://nantucket-ma.gov/1156/Solar-Map-Resources>.

Despite the withdrawal of the Cape Wind project, there are three other projects for federal waters that have the potential to provide lower cost energy into our aggregated supply. She will keep a watch on their development and their proposed rates. She spoke also about proposals for energy storage systems: one meant for individual homes and based on ice and the other to be battery-storage units. Both take advantage of electricity available at low-demand periods that is lower cost than that at higher-demand periods. Finally, she spoke about Massachusetts' Heat Smart program, <http://nantucket-ma.gov/1093/HeatSmart-Program>, which is designed to assist home owners to reduce energy demand and, thus, save money. In conjunction with this program, National Grid, our energy supplier, has a Home-Energy Assessment program scheduled for one week each in March, May, July, September, and November. The next program is March 19-23 and homeowners can sign up for it by calling National Grid at 844-6158316 or visiting www.ngrid.com/Nantucket.

VI. Adjournment.

As she finished, Henry Terry thanked Lauren Sinatra and said that it was now time to adjourn. A Motion to adjourn was made at 5:01 pm by Colleen McLaughlin and seconded by Anne Terry. All approved.

The next Nantucket Town Association meeting will be on Tuesday, February 27, 2017, in the Learning Lab* of the Atheneum.

*Please remember that our use of the Learning Lab ends promptly at 5 p.m. We need to vacate the room and the building so that the next meeting group can access the room.

Lee W. Saperstein, Secretary

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Treasurer's Report

January 23, 2018

Beginning Balance	\$4,794.88
Deposits	
Dues	+45.00
Expenditures	
State filing fee \$15	
NCL dues \$220	
NCL Christmas party reimbursement \$200	-\$435.00
End balance	\$4,404.88

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Terry

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Treasurer's Report

October 24, 2017

Beginning Balance	\$4,762.16
Deposits	
Dues	+120
Expenditures	
Inky ad/annual mtg	-87.28
End balance	\$4,794.88

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Terry

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