

Oak Bluffs

Community Development Council

Minutes of 08.20.08

Meeting #77

9:30 am Town Hall Meeting Room

Members in attendance:

Priscilla Sylvia, Terry Appenzellar, Iona Pressley, Nancy Phillips,
Alison Shaw, James Westervelt (recorder)

Members absent:

Renee Balter, Richard Westcott

Guest:

Ron DiOrio

Item: Old Library

The Town has been awarded \$443,654 grant from the Housing Development Support Program, which is a federally funded Community Development Block Grant administered by the State Department of Housing and Community Development. This grant money along with \$250,000 CPA money will go towards the conversion of the old library into three affordable apartments and hopefully a pharmacy. We (CDC) started this when directed by the BOS to analyze certain town owned buildings.

Item: Vehicle Survey

Terry's updated survey was discussed. Keeping it simple was recommended and out of this came the decision to have **one page for each vehicle** surveyed. **Terry** will get instructions to Michael Dutton. We thought that the Police Dept should be the first dept. to complete the survey and we will proceed from there.

Item: Minutes

Minutes of the 08.06.08 meeting were amended (spelling and typos) and approved.

Item: Revenue Enhancements

Ron asked if we would consider helping a committee looking into revenue enhancements for the town. This committee is Ron DiOrio, Peter Palches, Harvey Beth, Paul Manzi, and Michael Dutton. We agreed to do some research on the matter. An example of what the revenue committee is looking at presently is creating a parking lot and charging \$500 per space for home and commercial businesses. The CDC also recommended this when we amended the Home Business By-Law.

Item: Beach Erosion

Nancy discussed problems with beach erosion at the Ink Well and Pay Beach ,she also mentioned the problem of Lake Waban. A brief discussion followed.

Item: Meetings

Jim asked if we should revert back to 9am starting time for our meetings. **All agreed to 9am.** Jim will post the new time with the Town Clerk and on the Town Hall Bulletin Board. Terry will miss our next two meetings, as she will be away kayaking in Portugal.

Meeting adjourned 11am

Next meeting 09.03.08 @ 9 am

Renee emailed me after the meeting and reported on her assignment from the previous meeting. She asked the BOS if the CDC should look into problems relating to the summer tourists, parking, traffic routing, etc. **She reports that the only directive she received was to continue with the Vehicle Survey.**