

Oak Bluffs
Community Development Council

Meeting #131

Minutes of 11.03.10

9am-Town Hall Meeting Room

Members in attendance:

Terry Appenzellar, Renee Balter, *Priscilla Sylvia, Nancy Phillips, Richard Westcott, James Westervelt
(recorder)

Also in attendance:

FinCon member Steve Auerbach

Minutes: Minutes of 10.06.10 and 19.20.10 were read and approved.

Item: Motor Vehicle Rental Policy

Terry and Jim reported not being able to find any relevant policies, regulations or by-laws from other municipalities regarding car rentals.

Terry mentioned Nantucket's "medallion" system. The committee members agreed to continue looking for relevant data.

Item: Miscellaneous-Fees

Terry advocated the need for applicants for special permits that require expert, professional, or technical information to pay for such reports. She said excessive costs relating to the permitting process should be the responsibility of the applicant not the town.

Rich said that Wetlands By-laws allows for the creating of a table of fees.

Rich also said that a nominal fee for a Request for Determination could be charged then a go for consulting fees.

* Priscilla left the meeting at this time 9:30am.

Item: Miscellaneous-Revenues

FinCom member Steve A. spoke of having metered parking as a revenue source.

Renee spoke of the 14 years she has worked on parking and a residential permit parking policy.

Steve A. said he has had correspondence with John Leaf of the Ampco System Parking. Steve said they would come to OB for a fee to determine if it would be feasible in our town.

Renee said that residential permit parking would bring in about the same as metered parking and the initial capital expense would be less.

Terry said she would speak at the special town meeting in favor of the warrant for Town Clerk fee increases.

Jim said that we are all nipping at edges of the town's fiscal problem. Jim said that renegotiating labor contracts, tighter management of departments, and the school budget need to be in play.

Terry said that leaders would need the political will to do that.

A general discussion on revenues and expenses ensued.

Meeting was adjourned 10:15am

Next meeting #132 on 11.17.10 @ 9am

Town Hall meeting room

***Home work :**

Revue the Nantucket Ad Hoc Finance Committee report emailed to everyone by Terry.

