

Our Island Home- Building Committee

Minutes of the Meeting of 11 April 2017. The meeting took place in the PSF Training Room, 4 Fairgrounds Road, Nantucket, MA 02554.

Members of the Building Committee present: Libby Gibson- Town Manger, Rachel Day- Human Services Director, David Fredericks- Chairman, Jim Kelly- BOS, Dawn Hill Holdgate- BOS, Steve Maury- FinCom, and Allison Forsgren- FOOIH.

Members of the Community present: Susan Berman, Maureen Searle, and Stephen Welch

Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm by Chairman, David Fredericks.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The Building Committee accepted the agenda as presented.

ANNOUCEMENTS

1. Motion to accept minutes of 28 March, 2017, was approved.
2. Next OIH Building Committee Meeting will be held on 27 April 2017 at 2pm.

AGENDA

1. Review of Action Taken at 2017 Annual Town Meeting on OIH Articles 14-17
2. Review of 3-5 Year Repair/Maintenance/Capital Needs Plan for OIH
 - a. Current OIH administrator reviewed OIH capital projects.
 - b. Members of the OIH Building Committee plan to lead a capital project where they can provide or obtain expertise on the assigned area to help meet the needs of the current facility. A summary will be developed addressing what is hoped to be achieved and who will be assigned to the necessary capital projects.
 - c. Retained earnings are available to carry out capital projects. Subject to borrowing is in process; however, Day can begin applying for DPH approval where necessary.
 - d. Day plans to meet with OIH staff to create a list of what is most important and needed in the current facility.
 - e. Building Committee plans to stay focused on bringing current OIH into a well-rounded state and discuss updates with the new BOS.

COMMITTEE'S COMMENTS

1. Maury expressed his concern that there were too many reasons for voters to say no regarding articles 14-17.
2. Hill Holdgate stated that some committee members have concerns spending the large monetary expense on a new nursing facility, addressed the reality of neighborhood concern, and spoke on how the committee may have not thoroughly answered questions the community had before the articles were addressed at ATM.

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3. Hill Holdgate mentioned the idea of holding a round table regarding homecare and how homecare services and a future OIH could interrelate.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Berman commented on ATM- there was not a lot regarding the spending of money relating to the new OIH. She believes there is a willingness to spend a greater sum to remain on the current site due to the strong emotional connection the committee holds.
2. Searle mentioned that she would like to see a different architect, providing new thinking and creativity.
3. Welch expressed the reality that the “no” vote could hold a lot of different reasons; therefore, it is important to tie together and communicate the committee’s ideas and thoughts in a uniform way for the community to better understand.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman, David Fredericks, at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Erin Kopecki, Asst. Administrator- OIH

Cc Building Committee Members