

**Tisbury Finance & Advisory Committee
at the Tisbury Emergency Services Building
6:30PM, Wednesday, October 14, 2015**

Present: Chair – Paul Cefola, Pamela Brock, Paul Cefola,
Barbara Fortes, Nancy Gilfoy*, Jeff Kristal, Jynell Kristal,
Mary Ellen Larsen;
Others: Selectmen – Larry Gomez
Minutes – Marni Lipke * Late arrivals or early departures

The Tisbury Finance Committee (FinCom) meeting convened at 6:31PM. Paul Cefola, stepped in as Acting Chair.

* Nancy Gilfoy entered the meeting at 6:35PM.

1. Elect a New Chair

Bruce Llewelyn had resigned the FinCom and his role as Chair for personal reasons. The Committee discussed appointments, liaisons and officers. Various people when asked were not interested in the Chairmanship. Selectmen Larry Gomez described his activities when he was FinCom Chair, going to Town Hall almost daily to meet with the Treasurer and Accountant, checking on the Town's financial status, preparing for Town Meeting.

- John Snyder had verbally accepted the position of Town Treasurer.
- Paul Cefola reported on two Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Committee (MVRHSC) Budget Sub-Committee meetings he attended.
- It was noted that the Town was re-organizing a number of Departments (Dept. of Public Works (DPW), Police, Animal Control) and that the FinCom should be paying close attention to these as well as to Departments that should be financially self-sufficient (e.g. Wastewater and Harbor).
- Other issues raised included:
 - the likelihood that Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) would present another big tax hike;
 - ear-marking an annual sum for affordable housing and eliminating/ reducing the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) tax;
 - extensive renovations to the current Police Building;
 - Tisbury School construction/renovation waste and possible state funding.
- *NANCY GILFOY: MOVED TO NOMINATE PAUL CEFOLA AND JEFF KRISTAL AS TISBURY FINANCE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS WITH MARY ELLEN LARSEN AS VICE CHAIR; PAMELA BROCK SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 7 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.*

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- THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS/ASSIGNMENTS WERE AFFIRMED:
 - PAUL CEFOLA – MVRHS BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE LIAISON;
 - JEFF KRISTAL – TISBURY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE;
 - MARY ELLEN LARSEN – CPC, DPW AND PLANNING BOARD LIAISON;
 - JYNELL KRISTAL – TISBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE (TSC), EMBARKATION COMMITTEE LIAISON;
 - NANCY GILFOY – WASTEWATER PLANNING LIAISON,
 - BARBARA FORTES – HARBOR MANAGEMENT LIAISON.
- The FinCom representative to the Site Plan Review Committee was eliminated when the Planning Board Bylaws were updated.
- Larry Gomez was the Tisbury representative to the Schools' Negotiations Committee.
- IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE TISBURY FINANCE COMMITTEE TO SCHEDULE REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH.
- *MARY ELLEN LARSEN MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:09PM; JYNELL KRISTAL SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 7 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.*

Meetings/Events:

- **Tisb. FinCom - 6:30PM, Wednesday, November 18, 2015 - EMS**
- MVRHSC FY17 Budget - MVRHS Library Conference Room (LCR)
 - Subcommittee - 5:00PM, Monday, October 26, 2015 - LCR
 - Subcommittee - 6:00PM, Monday, November 2, 2015 - LCR
 - Subcommittee - 8:30AM, Tuesday, November 17, 2015 - LCR
 - Budget Public Hearing – 7:00PM, Monday, November 30, 2015 – PAC (Performing Arts Center)
 - Budget Certification – 7:00PM, Monday, December 7, 2015 – LCR
- TSC - 8:30AM, Tuesday, November 10, 2015 – Tisbury School

Action List:

- All – consider new FinCom member.
- November Agenda – 9/3/15, 10/14/15 Minutes

Documents on file:

- KrIstal email/Agenda 10/14/15
- MVRHS Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Schedule (October 2015-December 2015)

Minutes approved 12/9/15.