

**Commonwealth Of Massachusetts**  
**County Of Dukes County, S.S.**  
**MARTHA'S VINEYARD AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING**

**June 7, 2000 6:00 pm**  
**Martha's Vineyard Airport**

Notice of Such Meeting having been Posted as Required by Law.

Present: Airport Commissioners: Chairman Tim Carroll, Dan Flynn, Robert Carroll, Linda Sibley, Frank Daly, Robert Smith\*

Others: Bill Weibrecht - Airport Manager, Joe Dinelli, Daniel Whiting - Heathland Realty Trust, David Corcoran & Dottie Grant - R. B. Corcoran, Kyle St. Germaine – Landscape, Marni Lipke - Recorder.

\* Late arrival or early departure (see \* in text)

The meeting was called to order at 6:01.

1. Approval of Minutes for May 3, 2000 meeting.

No action was taken as the revised draft had not been distributed.

2. R. B. Corcoran - Lot 19

Mr. Dinelli and Mr. Corcoran presented the plans for additional landscaping to address the Airport Commission's concerns (see 5/3/00 Minutes p. 2, Item 2.) The reseeded of the buffer zone and additional plantings were reviewed. Commissioner Linda Sibley brought two issues to the board. She pointed out that drains were placed in the buffer zone for repair convenience. However although repair crews would have easier access than if the drains were under pavement, the damaged vegetation would take longer to grow back or be replaced than the pavement. Secondly, she emphasized that the board needs to seriously address the Mass. Aeronautics Commission (MAC) environmental restrictions (Section 61) around indigenous plantings. **MR. ROBERT CARROLL MOVED TO GRANT FINAL APPROVAL TO R. B. CORCORAN'S PROPOSED PROJECT AND PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TO THE REVISED LANDSCAPE PLAN TO BE RETURNED FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE 50% COMPLETION POINT; COMMISSIONER ROBERT SMITH SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.** Mr. Corcoran thanked the Commission and assured the Board that the project would be an asset to the Business Park.

3. Heathland Realty Trust - Lot 30A

Airport Manager Bill Weibrecht reported on discrepancies in billing and rent payment revolving around revised leases and consolidation of lots. A schedule is in the process of being worked out with Heathland to insure that all back rent be paid up by October 1, 2000. Mr. Dan Whiting then presented his plans for two additional buildings. The subleases for the existing building and one of the new buildings being Island Tobacco and AutoGlass. The second additional building will have electricity but no water and is expected to house a woodworking shop and a computer consultant. All plans have been approved by the Martha's Vineyard Commission, the Edgartown Building Inspector and the Federal Aeronautics Agency (FAA.) through a one year extension.

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Discussion centered around drainage from Vineyard Propane and water usage. Commissioner Frank Daly will check wastewater flow on the increased usage of the two buildings. Mr. Whiting, as well as other tenants will be expected to address issues of cleaning up their lots. Mr. Weibrecht is expecting to meet with Vineyard Propane shortly. **MR. ROBERT CARROLL MOVED TO GRANT PRELIMINARY APPROVAL TO HEATHLAND REALTY TRUST PROPOSED PROJECT; MS. SIBLEY SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Discussion and review vote of second supplemental budget.

The second supplemental budget was presented. Major points encompassed:

- the implementation of the bond stabilization fund (see 3/29/00 Minutes);
- unexpected overtime due to the unusual staffing situation this year (Mr. Weibrecht is also revising the vacation schedule procedure;)
- the fence for the fuel farm (see 4/12/00 Minutes p. 1 item 1;)
- pipe replacement additional funds;
- contractual landscape services, (Eventually, Mr. Weibrecht hopes to have in-house landscape and facility maintenance;)
- replacing storage building funds (see 3/15/00 Minutes p.2 item 9, p.3 item 12;)
- replacement of fiberglass tank for fire fighting supplies;
- parking signage and collection funds.

Commissioner Dan Flynn asked after excess revenues collected in FY00. After considerable discussion it was suggested that some verifiable excess revenues could be placed in the bond stabilization fund by the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Weibrecht will explore the feasibility of identifying such income for transfer in the time allotted. He may inform the County Manger of this intention at the Monday, June 12th meeting of the County Treasurer and the bonding agent . **MS. SIBLEY MOVED TO ADOPT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AS RECOMMENDED BY THE AIRPORT MANAGER; MR. ROBERT CARROLL SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. Brief on Assistant Manager, Bill Weibrecht.

\*Mr. Flynn recused himself and left the room.

**MR. WEIBRECHT ASKED THE COMMISSION TO FORMALLY INTERVIEW THREE FINAL CANDIDATES ON JUNE 22, 2000 AT 5:30PM.**

\*Mr. Flynn rejoined the meeting.

5. Discussion and preliminary approval for use of airport property across from runway 6.

Martha's Vineyard Buyer's Agents have proposed developing horse trails in the buffer zone in exchange for cutting and maintaining a Fire trail through the airport property. There was a brief discussion. Concerns centered on whether the trail would be open to the public or would be part of a private club (which would suggest profit and require an RFP.) **MR. FLYNN MOVED TO**

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**REFER THE MATTER TO THE MASTER PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE; MR. ROBERT CARROLL SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

In conjunction with this subject Mr. Weibrecht received a number of proposals from Dukes County. One suggested that the County and Airport repair/expand the old pump house for storage and training of Crash, Fire and Rescue (CFR) equipment, foam and crews. The Commission discussed the benefits, especially around stockpiling foam for the increased hazardous materials present in the Business Park. Another proposal from the police chiefs for a rope course and skateboard park at the Airport was also suggested. Chairman Tim Carroll reported that he asked all concerned to submit written proposals with drawings for formal inclusion on the agenda.

7. Update of MAC change order vote, Bill Weibrecht

Mr. Weibrecht reviewed the concerns of the MAC. Cracks on the runway will be sealed on the schedule set by MAC funding. Trees are being topped or cleared. However, ponding at a taxiway intersection and ramp area cracks may require substantial capital funding.

8. RFP for land adjacent to Keyland Kitchens, no vote required.

Keyland Kitchens has asked to build a storage building on the lot behind their existing building. Access is only through their lot and they would be able to demolish the current unsightly sheds. An RFP has been posted.

9. Discussion of taxicab license fee

Mr. Weibrecht asked the Commissioners for their views on revising the licensing fee to define the number of cabs covered with each company. Commissioners discussed seasonal and year round cab companies, and the Dukes County committee on island-wide taxi regulation. The matter was referred to staff for recommendations by the end of September, 2000.

Mr. Weibrecht reviewed a letter from an irate customer over the new parking regulations.

Mr. Daly commended Mr. Kann and Mr. Weibrecht for noticing and acting on an unusual wastewater flow.

Mr. Weibrecht reported that the FAA Regional Administrator for Airports has asked to address the Airport Commission on their Master Plan. He is interested in making MV Airport a model master plan and has offered to work with the Commission and facilitate the process. The commissioners welcomed this offer but expressed concern over the inclusion of the audit in the process and also over opening so much of the Airport's interior procedures to a public forum. THIS MEETING WAS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 20 AT LUNCH TIME.

**MS. SIBLEY MOVED TO ADJOURN; MOTION SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**