

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

VISITOR SERVICES BOARD

Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2000

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Members Present: Steve Melamed (Chair), Rob Tosner, Barbara Rushmore, Kay Halle, Hunter O'Hanian, Joan Lenane, Dana Henricksen

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Patricia Fitzpatrick (Tourism Director), Michelle Jarusiewicz, (Grant Administrator), Rachel Crosby (Recording Secretary)

Call to Order: Chair Steve Melamed called the Meeting to order at 11:04 A.M.

REGULAR MEETING

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Kay Halle spoke about her comments at an earlier meeting concerning the anecdotal style of the meeting minutes and clarified that her comments had not been intended to be personal. The Board discussed the issue of meeting minutes style. Dana Henricksen questioned Patricia Fitzpatrick concerning her comments as quoted in an article in the Advocate and Ms Fitzpatrick clarified her remarks.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In response to a question from Michelle Jarusiewicz about funds noted as being held in reserve, Steve Melamed clarified the Board's policies concerning how grant funds were to be allocated and/or held in reserve.

February 14, 2000 – *Joan Lenane moved to approve with corrections, Hunter O'Hanian seconded, and it was so voted, 5-0, 2 abstain (Kay Halle, Rob Tosner).*

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

- David Brennan of the Captain's Guest House spoke critically about the Board's granting of funds to groups and individuals. Steve Melamed referred to the Board's official policies for funds disbursement and encouraged Mr. Brennan to volunteer for Holly Folly planning activities. Board members offered various comments on the Holly Folly Weekend.

OLD BUSINESS

Kay Halle spoke about the Millennium Celebration Grant and the fact that slightly more had been spent than had been allocated. Kay Halle proposed that Commercial Ventures be allowed to keep the revenue from the pins, leaving a balance of \$221. **Board Discussion:** How grant was originally defined; budgetary responsibility; exact amount of overage (\$477). *Hunter O'Hanian moved to table the discussion on this issue, Joan Lenane seconded, and it was so voted, 7-0.*

NEW BUSINESS

- Michelle Jarusiewicz distributed a copy of an advertisement placed in the Banner and Advocate requesting additional proposals for FY2001 Tourism Funds. Proposals are due by March 9, 2000.
- Barbara Rushmore reminded the Board of the activities of the Beautification Committee and recommended allocating monies for beautification projects. Referring to a memo from Michelle Jarusiewicz to the Board,

dated February 18, 2000, about FY 2001 Tourism Fund Budget, the Board discussed various individual budget items and revenue estimates. In response to a question from Steve Melamed, Ms Fitzpatrick clarified that the Visitor Services Board could not schedule a meeting with the Selectmen until after the Annual Town Meeting. *Ms Rushmore moved that the Visitor Services Board support the Beautification Committee's FY 2001 budget of \$3,900 and that those monies come out of the Municipal Project portion of the Visitor Services Board budget, Hunter O'Hanian seconded.* After discussion, *Ms Rushmore withdrew her motion and Mr. O'Hanian withdrew his second.*

- *Barbara Rushmore moved to remove the garbage barrels from the Visitor Services Board FY 2001 budget as itemized in Ms Jarusiewicz's memo.* The motion was not seconded.
- The Board discussed the items in the FY 2001 Visitor Services Board budget as detailed in Ms Jarusiewicz's memo of February 18, 2000. Ms Jarusiewicz clarified which items in her budget memo were approved by the Selectmen and which were based upon estimates. *Barbara Rushmore made a motion that the Visitor Services Board recommend the following in the Municipal Portion of the Visitor Services Board budget: \$5,000 for Bas-Relief and High Pole Hill Park Design and \$2,100 for a picket fence and bench for the School Street Parking lot; also that the budget item for fireworks be reduced by \$4,100, Dana Henricksen seconded. Rob Tosner moved that there be some official recognition that the funds came from the Visitor Services Board, Dana Henricksen seconded the amendment, and the amendment passed by a vote of 7-0. The motion as amended then passed by a vote of 7-0.*
- *Barbara Rushmore moved to remove the garbage barrels from the Visitor Services Board's FY 2001 budget, Joan Lenane seconded, and it was so voted, 7-0.*
- *Barbara Rushmore moved to keep the Groundskeeper item in the budget until after the Town Meeting, Rob Tosner seconded.* After discussion, *Barb Rushmore moved to table the motion, Rob Tosner seconded and it was so voted, 7-0.*

REVIEW OF FY 2001 GRANTS - postponed

CLOSING STATEMENTS

- The Board discussed the scheduling of future meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for February 29, 2000 at 11:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Hunter O'Hanian moved to adjourn at 12:47 P.M. and it was so voted unanimously.

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These minutes were approved by a vote of the Provincetown Visitor Services Board at their meeting on _____, 200__

Respectfully Submitted:

Visitor Services Board Signature

Title

Rachel Crosby

Rachel T. Crosby, On-call secretary