



35th Annual Meeting Minutes (DRAFT)

July 5, 2019

Sconset Casino

CALL TO ORDER

President and Chair Elliot Gewirtz called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Secretary Clement Durkes presented the 2018 minutes, which were approved as written.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Elliot announced that the Trust is in excellent financial shape. A memorandum of intent has been signed by both the town and the Trust, identifying the three parcels of land which will be transferred to the Trust: the tip of the triangle, beach access extending from Linden Avenue, and designated acres on Tom Nevers Pond.

The Marta Green estate presented the Trust with close to 1 million dollars, establishing our Beacon Society for planned giving.

Elliot then thanked our two outgoing board members for their many contributions: Lesley Finnell Blanchard and Don Shockey. Elliot himself is leaving the board. He thanked all members of the board, with whom he had the privilege of serving.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Betsy Grubbs thanked all Patrons of the Trust for making this year so successful, starting with the Marta Green bequest, followed by events in Florida and in New York City, and continuing with a nature walk in Ruddick Commons in collaboration with the scientists at the Linda Loring Nature Foundation. She announced that there was to be a first-ever lighthouse climb for members, who would be chosen through a lottery among those in attendance at the annual meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ellen Mitchell reported solid financials, with \$740,000 in total revenues and low expenses. Total assets are around \$29 million. She thanked all our Patrons for their financial support.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT

In an effort to expand our membership, Greg Garland organized a new member package, comprised of a reusable grocery bag holding our brochures, that will be presented to new home owners, renters, and potential new Trust members in our community.

PRESERVATION REPORT

Matt Fremont-Smith and his committee are continuing their efforts to preserve historically significant homes in our village. Matt and the Trust will work with home owners and commercial property owners in planning the future of their buildings. There are currently 6-7 properties on the list, including the Firehouse. Through conversations with home owners and preparing house histories (generously underwritten by an anonymous donor), the Trust hopes to further preserve our Village history.

Elizabeth Churchill presented the 2019 Preservation Awards.

The Lourie Family Preservation Award was given to Mary Williams and Kristen Williams-Haseotes, for the preservation of seven homes in Sconset, and to the Sconset Civic Association and the Nantucket Department of Public Works, for restoring the Rotary.

The Tradesman Preservation Award went to Angus MacLeod for his ability to strike a balance between historic preservation and client needs.

NOMINATING REPORT

Lesley Blanchard presented three candidates for election to the board for a three-year term: David Brown, Christopher Crampton, and Danny Korengold.

She also presented the following board members for election to their second term: Eric Baurmeister, Clement Durkes, Cynthia Gallagher, Johnny Johnson, and Lynn Wilson.

Clement Durkes was proposed to serve as President.

The motion was moved, seconded, and passed.

LIGHTHOUSE LOTTERY

Kate O'Reilly and Kathy Cheek drew names in the lottery for the July 14th private members' lighthouse climb.

Clement Durkes and Betsy Grubbs presented Elliot Gewirtz with the 'Sconset Trust sign post in honor of his eight years of dedicated service and for accomplishing many initiatives for the Trust.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Clement Durkes
Secretary