

From: [Vallorie Oliver](#)
To: [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: FIn Com meeting (Coombs article)
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 1:12:20 PM
Attachments: [Letter of support for an HDC administrator.pdf](#)

Hi there-

May I please have this forwarded to the Finance Committee members, if it is not too late.

Thank you so much.

Regards-

Val Oliver

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Christopher Glowacki](#); [Jill Vieth](#); [Denice Kronau](#); [Jeremy Bloomer](#); [Joanna E. Roche](#); [Joseph Grause](#); [Peter McEachern](#); [Peter Schaeffer](#); [Stephen Maury](#)
Cc: [Mariya Basheva](#); [Brian Turbitt](#); [Libby Gibson](#)
Subject: Fw: Diane Coomb's Article for an HDC Administrator
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 11:59:06 AM

Dear FinCom,

FYI,

Denice

From: Abby Camp <abigailcamp@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 16, 2023 5:14 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>
Subject: Diane Coomb's Article for an HDC Administrator

Dear Finance Committee,

I am in favor of my fellow board member's article to hire a dedicated HDC Administrator to oversee the administration of the HDC.

We struggle to keep up with the massive amounts of applications that come in weekly. We are about 150 applications behind. I can speak for all board members when I say, we would rather be reviewing applications for appropriateness—that is our job, that is our expertise. But because we have no administrator, we also have to deal with legal issues, and outside confrontations. We have to spend extra time outside of our weekly meeting (or meetings!) reviewing basic applications which should be able to be approved by staff.

As it stands now, there is no HDC Administrator in place. The head of PLUS has responsibility for the management of our staff and all support. We've been trying to address our back log of applications, the sudden removal of our advisory boards and how to get them back, and how to make the review procession better overall. The HDC has discussed the situations ad nauseam, every Tuesday night for hours. There was never a time that the Head of PLUS came to ask how management could help, or try to understand what kind of help we need.

Please take Diane's article to heart. We need to get back to work reviewing applications. We are incredibly busy. Having our own Administrator would help us greatly.

Sincerely,

Abby Camp
HDC, board member

From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Mick Rowland](#); [Brian Turbitt](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: HDC Administrator ATM Article
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:08:20 AM

Dear Mickey:

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter. We will take your comments into consideration when we hold our first discussion on this article on 1/26/23.

Thank you for your service to the community.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Mick Rowland <mickrow@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 2:44 PM
To: Brian Turbitt <bturbitt@nantucket-ma.gov>; Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>
Subject: HDC Administrator ATM Article

Dear Brian and Denice

Please accept this letter to be included in the FinCom discussion regarding the HDC Administrator.
Thank you very much

Mickey Rowland

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Christopher Glowacki](#); [Jill Vieth](#); [Jeremy Bloomer](#); [Joanna E. Roche](#); [Joseph Grause](#); [Peter McEachern](#); [Peter Schaeffer](#); [Stephen Maury](#)
Cc: [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Fw: Outdoor Lighting Citizen Warrant Article -Departmental Comments
Date: Monday, January 23, 2023 2:53:51 PM
Attachments: [Outdoor lighting comments NPD 010623.pdf](#)
[Outdoor lighting comments PLUS 010923.pdf](#)
[Outdoor lighting comments TM 121422.pdf](#)
[Outdoor lighting comments Energy 011023.pdf](#)

Dear All:

FYI.

Thanks,
Denice

From: Town Manager <townmanager@nantucket-ma.gov>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 11:02 AM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Nantucket Lights <nantucketlights@gmail.com>
Subject: Outdoor Lighting Citizen Warrant Article -Departmental Comments

Denice – attached are departmental comments as to the outdoor lighting citizen article. In no way is the Town prepared to enforce this bylaw as proposed without additional dedicated resources. We can't even adequately enforce it now.

C. Elizabeth Gibson, ICMA-CM
Town Manager
Town of Nantucket
(508) 228-7255

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: mwrjs@comcast.net
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Citizen Warrant Article - Changes to Outdoor Lighting By-Law
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:13:41 AM

Dear Maryann:

Thank you for sending your thoughtful comments in respect to the outdoor lighting article and for providing substantive feedback.

We will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: mwrjs@comcast.net <mwrjs@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 10:54 AM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Jason M. Bridges <jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov>; Dawn Hill Holdgate <dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov>; Matt Fee <mfee@nantucket-ma.gov>; Malcolm MacNab <mamacnab@nantucket-ma.gov>; Brooke Mohr <bmohr@nantucket-ma.gov>; nantucketlights@gmail.com <nantucketlights@gmail.com>
Subject: Citizen Warrant Article - Changes to Outdoor Lighting By-Law

To Members of the Finance Committee:

I am writing to ask you to make a motion to adopt the Citizen Warrant Article submitted by Gail Walker to amend the current outdoor lighting by-law.

I am living everyday with light trespass in our neighborhood. With new construction, renovations and the addition of several pools, the situation just keeps getting worse.

Every night, year round, my backyard is filled with lights from a neighbor who has their pool illuminated with upward facing lights. Several neighbors leave porch and outdoor lighting on all night long. A town street light shines directly in my bedroom window. I have tried on several occasions to ask neighbors to shut their lights by 10:00 PM. These request have largely gone ignored. A complaint to the Lighting Enforcement Officer did not result in any noticeable changes to the situation.

Light pollution impacts the quality of our life on Nantucket. I have had to install room darkening shades to block out these lights. It is no longer possible to look out and see the beauty of the night sky. The current by-laws and enforcement process does not reflect nor can it support the changes we have seen in building, hardscaping and pools. We have an opportunity through this proposed by-law change and enforcement of it to increase public awareness and compliance with appropriate outdoor lighting and to improve the quality of life for everyone on Nantucket. Please make a motion to adopt this important Warrant Article.

Thank you for your time.

Maryann Wasik
4 Hussey Farm Road

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Mark Deck](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Citizen Warrant Article on outdoor lighting
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:22:19 AM

Dear Mark and Tricia:

We very much appreciate your thoughtful and substantive comments about the lighting article; thank you for taking the time to elaborate your thoughts on this topic.

We will take your comments into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Mark Deck <mark.john.deck@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 7:14 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Jason M. Bridges <jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov>; Dawn Hill Holdgate <dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov>; Matt Fee <mfee@nantucket-ma.gov>; Malcolm MacNab <mmacnab@nantucket-ma.gov>; Brooke Mohr <bmohr@nantucket-ma.gov>; Deck Tricia P. <tricia.deck@gmail.com>
Subject: Citizen Warrant Article on outdoor lighting

To the Nantucket FinCom:

We are writing this email to the Nantucket FinCom in support of the Citizen Warrant Article being proposed by Gail Walker for your review this week. The article seeks to replace the existing outdoor lighting bylaw.

Nantucket is a natural beauty and one of its magical features is its nighttime view of the heavens. We have had a house at 33 Union Street since January 2000 and we have tried hard to keep our outdoor lighting limited, shielded, and down facing. Being so close to town, it can be difficult to get an especially dark sky but it's not impossible. On a clear night, we can usually see major constellations and the milky way. Its even better in the winter with fewer lights from fewer cars, fewer boats in the harbor and people in their homes.

Over the years, it has gotten harder to enjoy a dark sky. Sometimes houses are updated and shiny bright brass fixtures are set out front with as many as 8 60-watt bulbs shining through the night. Sometimes they are left on for weeks when owners are away. The same is true with floodlights for driveways and patios. They serve a useful purpose when used sparingly but when they are unshielded and left on all night, they become destroyers of the magical ambience Nantucket can

have at night.

The new bylaw being proposed would help with these problems and hopefully make homeowners more aware of their responsibilities for keeping our evening skies more natural. Being in the historic district, there are limitations on changes we can make to the exterior of our home in order to preserve the look of the town. But we can add fancy bright brass lights or unshielded floodlights that materially change the look of the historic district at night. It would make sense to have lighting be another aspect of the look of the historic district to be managed. The proposed new bylaw would help with this both in town and away from town.

One other problem we have had is lights on roof walks that stay on all night. A few years ago, we asked the town to help us with a neighbor who lights a huge statue on their roof walk all night along in the summer. The current bylaw requires outdoor decorative lighting to be off by 10 pm. The town representative suggested that we take a personal approach. So we contacted the homeowner to let them know that while we loved the look of the patriotic decorative lighting, it was being left on past 10 pm which was not in keeping with the town's bylaws and we politely asked them to change it. We heard back from their attorneys saying that we had upset the owners, that the timer was broken and they would fix it. That worked for that summer, but for the three summers since, the statue remains lit all night, now with even brighter lights.

Another neighbor has renters for much of the summer and while our neighbor is careful about leaving his patio floodlights on all night, many times his renters forget. We've grown tired of trying to catch them coming in or out of the home to ask them to turn them off.

While the newly proposed bylaw won't cover all these issues, it will help limit them over time with better fixtures and sensors, clearer enforcement, and increased awareness. Our permanent residence is in Lincoln MA where zoning bylaws were changed a few years ago regulating outdoor lighting on new construction and remodeling. It has made a great difference. We live at the edge of a 20 acre field and a newly constructed house across the way has only downward facing, shielded lights that provide plenty of illumination without blasting light out into the field. Older houses still have older fixtures, but the skies get a little darker and more natural with each passing year because of the changes made in our bylaws.

We hope you can work collaboratively with the petition sponsors to address this important issue for the town.

Mark and Tricia Deck
33 Union Street

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Joseph Arvay](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Dark sky updates
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:23:05 AM

Dear Joe and Kathy,

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

I hope this finds you both well!

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Joseph Arvay <jmarvay1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 4:07 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>
Subject: Dark sky updates

This note is to express our support for replacing the outdoor lighting bylaw adopted in 2005 (Chapter 102 of the Code of Nantucket) with an updated bylaw to make the regulations consistent with current best practices to minimize light pollution. It also proposes stronger enforcement provisions.

Best Regards
Joe&Kathy Arvay
11 Front Street
Sconset

Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Marie Lefton](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Dark Sky Warrant Article
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:38:25 AM

Dear Marie:

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Marie Lefton <marie.lefton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 11:41 AM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Jason M. Bridges <jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov>; Dawn Hill Holdgate <dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov>; Matt Fee <mfee@nantucket-ma.gov>; Malcolm MacNab <mmacnab@nantucket-ma.gov>; Brooke Mohr <bmohr@nantucket-ma.gov>; Nantucketlights@gmail.com <Nantucketlights@gmail.com>
Subject: Dark Sky Warrant Article

Members of the Finance Committee:

I am writing to support the Dark Sky warrant article on your January 26, 2023 agenda. In Siasconset, as on much of Nantucket, we enjoy the increasingly rare privilege of witnessing a night sky where we can observe the stars, pick out the constellations, and follow the meteor showers that are some of nature's most astonishing displays.

Artificial light increasingly threatens our access to these wondrous spectacles. In our overlit world, Nantucket provides an oasis where we can treasure our connections to the cosmos in ways completely unavailable to those who live in or near mainland cities. It would be an immeasurable shame to lose our access to the night sky largely through inattention at a time when light pollution can still be easily minimized.

For these reasons, I urge you to support this warrant to preserve the wonders of the Nantucket's night sky, both for ourselves and for future generations.

Sincerely,

Marie Lefton

Swallows' Nest
49 Ocean Avenue
Siasconset, MA 02564
marie.lefton@gmail.com
617 347 2813

cc: Select Board members
Nantucket Lights

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [mattfs@aol.com](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Dark Sky warrant article
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:36:42 AM

Dear Samantha and Matthew:

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: mattfs@aol.com <mattfs@aol.com>

Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 3:18 PM

To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>

Cc: Nantucketlights@gmail.com <Nantucketlights@gmail.com>; Jason M. Bridges <jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov>; Dawn Hill Holdgate <dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov>; Matt Fee <mfee@nantucket-ma.gov>; Malcolm MacNab <mmacnab@nantucket-ma.gov>; Brooke Mohr <bmoehr@nantucket-ma.gov>

Subject: FW: Dark Sky warrant article

[Dear members of the Committee,](#)

[As property owners in Sconset we are supportive of this initiative and updating the by-laws as proposed.](#)

[Thank you,](#)

[Samantha and Matthew Fremont-Smith](#)

From: Siasconset Civic Association <admin@siasconsetcivicassociation.org>

Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 7:56 AM

To: Matt Fremont-Smith <mattfs@aol.com>

Subject: Dark Sky warrant article

Finance Committee Review of Bylaw Amendment--Outdoor Lighting

Artificial light at night has revolutionized the way we live and work outdoors, but it has come at a price. When used indiscriminately, artificial outdoor lighting can negatively affect our environment and impact our quality of life. Not only does it interfere with our ability to enjoy the stars at night, it can disrupt wildlife, be harmful to human health, waste money and energy, and contribute to climate change.

We are committed to advocating in favor of legislation, regulations, ordinances and/or other courses of action that would reduce light pollution in Siasconset as well as opposing any that would unreasonably increase light pollution there. The Board of the Siasconset Civic Association strongly supports the efforts of Nantucket Lights and the proposed warrant article.

The Finance Committee will discuss the warrant article written by Gail Walker at their January 26 meeting. It proposes replacing the outdoor lighting bylaw adopted in 2005 (Chapter 102 of the Code of Nantucket) with an updated bylaw to make the regulations consistent with current best practices to minimize light pollution. It also proposes stronger enforcement provisions. If you would like to send a letter in support to the members of the committee they are listed below:

[dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [Cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [smaury@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov](#)

You may want to copy Nantucket Lights ([Nantucketlights@gmail.com](#)) as well as members of the Select Board listed below:

[jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [mfee@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [mmacnab@nantucket-ma.gov](#), [bmoehr@nantucket-ma.gov](#)

If you would like more information on preserving our dark skies, please use this link to read more on our website:

https://www.siasconsetcivicassociation.org/resources/Documents/Civic%20Association%20Documents/Dark%20Sky%20Policy/DARK%20SKY%20POLICY%20STATEMENT_04%2007%2021_final.pdf



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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Alpine Bird](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Endorsement of Better Outdoor Lighting Regulations
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:03:01 AM

Dear Alpine and Don:

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Alpine Bird <alpinecbird@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 4:50 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
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Subject: Endorsement of Better Outdoor Lighting Regulations

Dear Finance Committee,
We are writing as members of the Surfside Association to express our support for the Nantucket Civic League's Endorsement of better outdoor lighting regulations as proposed in Gail Walker's citizen article. Thank you for your consideration.
Sincerely,

Alpine and Don Bird
47 Nobadeer Avenue

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Grant Behrman](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Existing Lighting Bylaws
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:39:44 AM

Dear Grant:

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Grant Behrman <gbehrman@behrmancap.com>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 10:37 AM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
Subject: Existing Lighting Bylaws

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to support the Nantucket Civic League's endorsement of the Citizen Warrant Article of Gail Walker regarding updating the town's existing 2005 lighting bylaw.

Respectfully,
Grant

Grant G. Behrman
21 Shimmo Pond Road
Nantucket 02554
gbehrman@behrmancap.com

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [CZ](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Nantucket Lights Citizen Warrant Article endorsement
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:09:58 AM

Dear Carlyn:

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts about the lighting article. We will take them into consideration when we hold our first discussion on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: CZ <c.zehner@btinternet.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 12:47 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jason M. Bridges <jmbridges@nantucket-ma.gov>; Dawn Hill Holdgate <dhillholdgate@nantucket-ma.gov>; Matt Fee <mfee@nantucket-ma.gov>; Malcolm MacNab <mmacnab@nantucket-ma.gov>
Subject: Nantucket Lights Citizen Warrant Article endorsement

Dear all,

My family and I support the Nantucket Civic League's endorsement of Gail Walker's Citizen Warrant Article. We have spent summers in Shimmo since 1980, we remember very dark nights and miss them.

In our own self interest we welcome any measures that will lessen the light pollution facing us from across the harbor. Lights blaze all night long.

For all on Nantucket and for the planet overall, we support Gail's proposed measures as they will decrease energy consumption and increase the health and wellbeing of all island creatures, human and animal.

Please do support the article.

Kind regards,

Carlyn Zehner

33 Shimmo Pond Road
Nantucket, MA 02554

Carlyn Zehner
Sent from my iPad

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: [Peter Hoey](#)
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Outdoor Lighting Warrant Article
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:18:13 AM

Dear Peter:

Many thanks for your letter and we will take your comments into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

From: Peter Hoey <phoey63@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 9:40 PM
To: Denice Kronau <dkronau@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joseph Grause <jgrause@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jeremy Bloomer <jbloomer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Christopher Glowacki <cglowacki@nantucket-ma.gov>; Stephen Maury <smaury@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter McEachern <pmceachern@nantucket-ma.gov>; Joanna E. Roche <jeroche@nantucket-ma.gov>; Peter Schaeffer <pschaeffer@nantucket-ma.gov>; Jill Vieth <jvieth@nantucket-ma.gov>
Cc: Peter Hoey <phoey63@comcast.net>; Nantucket Lights <nantucketlights@gmail.com>
Subject: Outdoor Lighting Warrant Article

I am writing in support of Gail Walker's ByLaw Amendment - Outdoor Lighting.

The deterioration of night observance of stars, including the Milky Way over the last two decades is alarming. In addition, excess lighting by residents and businesses is increasing the risk that Nantucket might need a third cable from the mainland.

Perhaps most importantly, residents' enjoyment of their homes/properties is increasingly disturbed by excessive lighting on adjacent properties.

Our residents deserve peaceful enjoyment of their own property, without excessive light pollution.

Please support the adoption of the outdoor lighting warrant article.

Thank you, Peter E. Hoey

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From: [Denice Kronau](#)
To: andy.boynton@bc.edu
Cc: [Joseph Grause](#); [Mariya Basheva](#)
Subject: Re: Supporting Gail Walker's Citizen Article on Outdoor Lighting
Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:17:00 AM

Dear Andy:

Many thanks for your letter and the substantive feedback; your input is appreciated.

We will take your thoughts into consideration when we have our first discussion on the article on 1/26/23.

Kind regards,
Denice

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Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 9:28 AM
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Subject: Supporting Gail Walker's Citizen Article on Outdoor Lighting

Dear members of the Finance Committee, and appropriate others,

I urge you to consider and support Gail Walker's Citizen's Article for adopting new outdoor lighting regulations on Nantucket.

I'm a long time visitor to Nantucket -- about 45 years now -- and love the island, both then and now. I own a home in Surfside. One change over time that I have not enjoyed about Nantucket is the increasing emphasis on people installing very bright, high up, and numerous lights on roofs and high up near every pool. These lights shine a long way ! Into every window of my (and other) home often late into the evening or all night. The effect is particularly acute across the landscape of wide open Surfside -- high (brightening our beautiful night skies) or low (into our homes).

Lighting has clear negative externalities that impact many. Curbing it makes sense. Thank you for considering Gail's Citizen Article. I support it.

All the best, Andy Boynton

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FY 2024 Nantucket County Budget

Nantucket County Review Committee
January 26th, 2023

County Agencies

- County Administration
- Registry of Deeds
 - Administration
 - Deeds Excise

County Revenue Sources

- Town Assessment
- Deeds Excise Revenue
- Recording Fees
- Corrections Deeds Excise (Public Safety Facility)
- Registry of Deeds Excise Fund Balance
- County Fund Balance

FY 2024 Projected Revenue

- Town Assessment: \$179,075
- Deeds Excise Receipts: \$584,325
 - County Admin: \$350,625
 - Registry of Deeds: \$233,750
- Recording Fees: \$171,500
- Corrections Deeds Excise: \$250,000
- TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUE: \$1,184,950

County Funding Requirement (also known as “maintenance of effort”)

- By law, the County must provide a certain amount of NON-deeds excise revenue to the Registry
- The amount increases by 2½% per year
- FY 24 county funding requirement:
 - Registry: \$363,574

FY 2024 Projected Expenses

- County Administration - \$258,984
 - No employees (funded through the County)
 - Main expenses are legal and professional services
- Registry of Deeds - \$547,580
 - 3 full-time employees
 - Administrative expenses
 - Deeds Excise/special projects
- Public Safety Facility Debt Service - \$250,000
- TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES: \$1,056,564

Comparison with FY 2023 Budget

FY 2023

- *County Admin*
 - **\$258,964**
- *Registry of Deeds*
 - *Payroll* = \$426,769
 - *Operating Expenses* = \$53,910
 - **Total = \$480,679**
 - *Deeds Excise Payroll* = \$0
 - *Deeds Excise Expenses* = \$43,000
 - **Deeds Excise Total = \$43,000**

TOTAL REGISTRY OF DEEDS BUDGET = \$523,679

- *Public Safety Facility Debt Service*
 - 250,000
- **TOTAL COUNTY BUDGET = \$1,032,663**

FY 2024

- *County Admin*
 - **\$258,984**
- *Registry of Deeds*
 - *Payroll* = \$449,170
 - *Operating Expenses* = \$53,910
 - **Total = \$503,080**
 - *Deeds Excise Payroll* = \$0
 - *Deeds Excise Expenses* = \$44,500
 - **Deeds Excise Total = \$44,500**

TOTAL REGISTRY OF DEEDS BUDGET = \$547,580

- *Public Safety Facility Debt Service*
 - 250,000
- **TOTAL COUNTY BUDGET = \$1,056,564**