

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NON-VOTING TAXPAYERS

Minutes of Public meeting 10:00 am, Saturday, June 7, 2025 (via Zoom)

1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Gary Beller, Gene Briskman, Michael Cody, Patti Deuster, Lynn Filipski, Bill Gardner, Don Green, Peter Halle, Peter Kahn, Donna Martino, Steve Perelman, Scott Ulm. Members absent: Lou Bassano, Pam Suan
2. Chair Peter Halle convened the meeting at 10:02 am and read the Virtual Meeting Script, confirming a quorum was present.
3. The Agenda for today's meeting was moved for approval, seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Approval of the minutes from the May 1, 2025 meeting was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Discussion of Town Elections Outcome began with Our Island Home (OIH) Article (13). Suggestoins included taking a step back to more closely consider private funding, the sale of the existing property, lessons to be taken from similar Martha's Vineyard project and formation of an ACNVT sub-committee of interested participants to research those topics and provide feedback to the town.
6. Short Term Rental Articles (66-69) and Judge's Order – Kathy summarized the outcomes of ATM voting and the recent Judge Vhay ruling in which there was no 'winner' but there was also no discrimination against NVTs. Questions arose including the possibility of new lawsuits based on the ruling, the level of town enforcement, the ruling's outcome as a motivator to voters to move forward with a locally written solution, perhaps with negotiation from all parties. ACNVT is prepared to continue to participate in these discussions.
7. Town Council Study Committee (87) – Donna noted a scheduled a meeting on June 11 to consider the ATM outcome and plan next steps. Operating a complex \$300M enterprise (the town) with only a single annual legislative session is unmanageable and is an emotional issue with significant educational challenges. Continued support from the Collins Institute is unclear. Ideas for moving forward included targeted outreach to neighborhood associations, ATM targeted civics courses in the high school and possibly taking smaller steps from ATM to a town counsel form of government.
8. Report from the PR Committee – outreach is working when we have a public speaker
9. Membership Re-Appointments/SFY2026 Preparation is ongoing with all those having expiring terms, submitting applications for re-appointment. Kathy is working on the ACNVT Annual Report to the town due later this summer. Officers will be elected at our first meeting after June 30 where a quorum is present.
10. The next ACNVT meetings will be hybrid and held at the Meeting Trailer at 10am Saturdays, 7/12, 8/2, 8/23 and 9/13. Potential speakers include Libby Gibson (7/12), DPW Director Drew Patnode, Sewer Director David Gray, Select Board Members Matt Fee, and Malcom McNab.
11. Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed unanimously at 11:50am.

The following link represents the recording of this meeting located on the Town of Nantucket YouTube website. [ACNVT Meeting recording for June 7, 2025.](#)

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Baird, Secretary