

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NON-VOTING TAXPAYERS

Minutes of Public meeting 10:00 am, Saturday, October 11, 2025

1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Lou Bassano, Gary Beller, Gene Briskman, Patti Deuster, Don Green, Peter Halle, Peter Kahn, Donna Martino, Steve Perelman, Scott Ulm. Members absent: Michael Cody, Lynn Filipski, Bill Gardner, Pam Suan
2. Chair Peter Halle convened the meeting at 10:00 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 corrected minutes from the September 13, 2025 meeting was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Donna Martino provided an update on the Town Council Study Group (TCSC), reporting that they had met, reviewed their final report to the town and have completed their work.
6. Peter H. announced the Our Island Home Survey is soliciting input from year round and non-voting taxpayers with a link that can be found [here](#). The survey closes 10/31 at 8PM and has a general comment field where concerns about the survey itself can be recorded.
7. Peter H. provided an overview of the recent Planning Board and Finance Committee meetings and recommendations surrounding town and citizen-sponsored Short Term Rental (STR) zoning and general bylaw articles. The Planning Board voted 3-2 to recommend 'Take No Action' on Article 1 and supported Article 2 by a 4-1 margin. The Finance Committee voted for a positive recommendation for Article 1 by a 4-3 vote and unanimously recommended 'Take No Action' on Article 2. Peter H. used Brian Turbitt's (Finance Director) Finance Committee presentation to explain the estimate of a \$2.5M annual loss on STR revenues to the town, the difficulties in replacing it once the tax levy is approved by the state and the limited areas for cutback decisions. After a discussion by members, public input was taken and the members present voted unanimously (11-0) to support Article 1 and recommend against Article 2 at STM. Peter H. will draft a letter to the Select Board (and other relevant parties) prior to their meeting on 10/15 where Select Board recommendations on the warrant will be decided.
8. Due to time constraints, Peter H deferred the discussion on feedback on other key issues of potential concern to NVTs
9. Steve requested and received feedback from the public on how they heard about today's meeting and whether it was helpful to them.
10. The next ACNVT meeting will be Zoom-only at 10am Saturday, 11/15 with Kristi Ferrantella (Municipal Housing Director or another speaker from the affordable housing community to be invited. Future speaker options include DPW Director Drew Patnode.
11. Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed unanimously at 12:04pm.

The following link represents the recording of this meeting located on the Town of Nantucket YouTube website at [ACNVT Meeting recording for October 11, 2025](#).

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Baird, Secretary