

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NON-VOTING TAXPAYERS

Minutes of Public meeting 10:00 am, Saturday, May 2, 2026

1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Lou Bassano, Gene Briskman, Lynn Filipski, Bill Gardner, Peter Halle, Donna Martino, Steve Perelman, Pamela Suan, Scott Ulm. Members absent: Michael Cody, Patti Deuster, Don Green, Renee Johannensen (Alternate) and Peter Kahn.
2. Chair Peter Halle convened the meeting at 10:04 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 April 11, 2026 meeting was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Peter H. confirmed that the ACNVT letter regarding our position on Article 11 – Our Island Home had been sent to the town and Nantucket Current. Gene sent a personal letter to the editor of the Inquirer & Mirror on the Martha's Vineyard facility.
6. Peter H. opened the discussion on potential impacts of Year-Round Resident Property Tax Exemption (taxed on 80% of assessed valuation) increases under consideration by the Select Board. Peter H. noted this as the founding issue for our committee and suggested speaker/speakers be found/scheduled for our meetings when this topic is scheduled for town consideration.
7. Peter requested current members complete their required Open Meeting Law (OML) and Conflict of Interest (COI) Training Status. As a result of what was learned in the training, Peter H. will submit a letter to Libby regarding the possibility of ACNVT Members being classified with "Special Employee" status for COI purposes.
8. A memorial for Gary Beller is being planned for a future ACNVT meeting along with a need to appoint a replacement for Gary on the Coastal Resiliency Advisory Committee. Pamela Suan indicated potential interest and will follow up with Peter H..
9. Membership Reappointment Update – Peter K. has re-applied but Lynn will not re-apply for another term due to increased responsibilities on the Sconset Trust. Don Greene has not yet re-applied but his status is unknown. Peter H. will contact Libby Gibson regarding the appointment process and to be a future fiscal year 2027 meeting speaker.
10. Steve noted the members and non-ACNVT members want to create a 30 minute presentation on public outreach for a future ACNVT meeting. Steve will follow up with the town Committee Operations Coordinator to ensure we remain in compliance.
11. Donna initiated a discussion on possible ACNVT positioning on Surfside Crossing with no conclusion at this time.
12. The next ACNVT meeting will tentatively be Zoom-only at 10am on June 27 with suggested invited speakers Rob Ranney (Assessor's Office). Hybrid meetings in the Meeting Trailer will be scheduled every 3 weeks starting July 11 through August 22 and Peter H. will reach out to Libby Gibson for our first summer meeting. Future speaker suggestions include DPW Director Drew Patenode, a new Select Board member and the new Finance Director.
13. Public Comment – ACNVT applicant Bob Vidoni introduced himself and provided background on his interests and skill sets in support of the committee.
14. Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed unanimously at 11:27am.

The recording of this meeting located on the Town of Nantucket YouTube website at [ACNVT Meeting recording for May 2, 2026](#).

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Baird, Secretary