

**Approved 2/3/16**  
**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY**  
**SELECTMENS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, January 20, 2016 4:30 p.m. – 5:38 p.m.**

**Present:** Selectmen Cindy Mitchell, Richard Knabel, Skipper Manter, Jennifer Rand

**Also Present:** Henry Geller, John Powers, Joan Ames, Edie Prescott, Heather Hamacek

**Minutes:** *R. Knabel motioned to approve the minutes of 1/6/16. S. Manter seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was CM & RK in favor, SM abstained.*

**Rooney Housing Re-finance Covenants:** *S. Manter motioned to sign the re-finance covenants for Rooney. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Town-Owned Land on Lambert's Cove & State Rds:** Henry Geller said he was asking the Board about the possibility of using this piece of land for affordable housing, possibly for seniors. He said as a member of the Affordable Housing Committee he didn't want to spend a lot of time on the idea if the Board did not think it was an appropriate use. He noted that in the past the town has discussed various uses for the site that have all eventually been located elsewhere. Skipper said he thought it was worth pursuing. Richard asked if a town meeting vote would be required for affordable housing. Henry said yes, eventually. Cindy noted that in the past there were concerns about "creep" in the business district, so as the committee moves forward they should keep that in mind in terms of the size and design of the project. Skipper suggested meeting with abutters early in the planning process.

**Access to Counsel – Municipal Hearing Officer:** John Powers requested access to Counsel as the Hearing Officer for an appeal to a Fire Inspection violation.

*S. Manter motioned to allow access to Counsel. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*

**Solar Canopy at Cronigs:** Skipper said he was concerned about the aesthetics about this project and wondered if the town had received noticed as an abutter. Cindy said she had read that Mr. Bernier would be sensitive to the appearance. Jen said she would look into it and put it on the agenda for next week.

**Snow Policy:** The Board made small amendments to the revised snow policy to eliminate the discussion of hurricanes.

*S. Manter motioned to approve the policy as amended. R. Knabel seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.*