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**Upstairs Meeting Room
Human Services Building,
270 Quaker Meetinghouse Road**

Present: William Burbank, Chair, Sarah Regan, Vice Chair, David Darling, Robert King, Lori Caron and Scott Torrey

Also Present: Blair Haney, Director of Planning and Development

Absent: Elizabeth Cotter

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Regan made a motion to accept the minutes of October 21, 2014. Mr. King seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Submission of New Plans

There were no new plans submitted.

Cranberry Shores Modification Request

Mr. Burbank read a memorandum from Jeffrey Hannah dated November 17, 2014 asking for a continuance until the Planning Board's meeting of December 2, 2014. Ms. Regan made a motion to continue the Modification request. Mr. King seconded and the Board voted all in favor.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

Mr. Burbank addressed the Board regarding the recent storm on November 2nd and the extraordinary damage it caused. Mr. Burbank said there were four days of high tide that filled the inner and outer marsh. Mr. Burbank distributed photos to the Board. He further stated that with the damage came the discovery of artifacts related to Jarvesville. There was evidence that the original brick factory was on the edge of Town Neck Beach. He also found a series of piers for holding boats for delivery to the Glass Factory

Mr. Burbank said that after meeting with each member of the Board he had a request to look at what the damage would be by taking a vote on a Special Town Warrant Article which he was proposing this evening. In the meantime, he has learned that the Selectmen are the only ones in Town that can put a money article together for consideration. The only thing we can do as a Board is advocate for such a thing to happen.

Mr. Burbank said he has learned from Mr. Galkowski that there will be a meeting next Tuesday evening that will be hosted by the Conservation Commission about permitting relative to the Corps.

He also said that the Corps. needs to spend money for the FY 2015 to fund a larger project to dredge 400,000 cubic yards of sand from the Sagamore Bridge to the east end of the Canal and that is to be placed on Sandwich Beaches according to Beach Management Plan.

Mr. King said he was under the impression that it was to be 150,000 cubic yards.

There was a lengthy discussion on the financing of this project.

Relative to the historical assets Mr. Burbank has also been in touch with the Archaeology of UMass Amherst Dept. and that both these finds would be relevant to National District particularly Jarvesville. If there are services required, the Corps. is responsible for paying for that. Mr. Burbank has also asked the UMass Amherst people to come and address the people in the Town and also visit the two sites. They are willing to do that.



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Mr. Burbank asked Mr. Haney if he could provide any other information. Mr. Haney said that Mr. Dunham said we have \$1,000,000 from CPA funds. This money is available. It is not a grant.

Mr. Haney said more will be explained at the Conservation Commission meeting relative to permitting which will make the Town a dredging site for the sand.

Mr. Burbank also explained the need for sand to close the mouth of the harbor and also the need to vegetate the sand when it is placed on the beaches.

Mr. King said that the Corps. of Engineers is taking responsibility for the canal dredging and the Town would be responsible for 35%. There is a CPC Grant to put the sand on the beaches. Some of the CPC funds would also be used for permitting.

Mr. Burbank said the CPC funds are intended to be put in place the first calendar year of maintenance of sand being put on Town Neck beaches. The action that would result would not be done until next year. The Board should consider the urgency of the next twelve months. It is important that we be ready to advocate for this project.

Mr. King asked where the sand would be placed. Mr. Burbank submitted maps to the Board showing various locations. There was lengthy discussion relative to funds and placement of sand.

Ms. Regan said that this was a wonderful discussion but where do you see the Planning Board producing anything that would facilitate the placement, renourishment of sand and ongoing protection of Jarvesville. Ms. Regan also discussed the LCP. Mr. Burbank said the Board could host or co-host meetings for the public. The Planning Board would be an outreach.

Mr. Darling said do we want to get into another strategic plan?

Mr. Torrey wanted to know what the Planning Board's contribution would be.

Mr. Burbank asked for comment from the public.

Ms. Laura Bowman Wing, 60 Salt Marsh Road spoke on the beach damage and sand replacement. She suggested educating the public.

Mr. Jonathan Shaw, Jarves Street, said it is important for this Board to be involved with this vital issue.

Mr. Richard Johnson, 9 Oyster Hill Road, President of the S.E.I.C. spoke in favor of support from the Planning Board.

Mr. Jonathan Fitch, 3 Jarves Street, spoke in favor of the Board's support.

Mr. Mark Wisentaner, 42 Chipman Road, applauded the Board for getting involved.

Mr. Hank Tuohy, 234 Cotuit Road, spoke in favor of the Planning Board's participation.

Ms. Regan spoke about getting people involved.

Board of Appeals #14-15 2 Wellfield Road – Variance

The Board had no comment.

Ms. Regan made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Darling seconded. The vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Carty