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Minutes of the Meeting of April 2, 2014. The meeting took place in the Community Room of the Nantucket Police Station, 4 Fairgrounds Road, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were: Rick Atherton, Robert DeCosta, Bruce Miller, Matthew Fee, Tobias Glidden and Karenlynn Williams. Chairman Atherton opened the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

This was joint meeting of the NRTA Advisory Board and Board of Selectmen

Continued Discussion of Fast Ferry Park and Ride Service. Mr. Miller outlined three components of the proposed fast ferry shuttle: the parking lot at 2 Fairgrounds Road; an operations plan which will cost approximately \$250,000; and how to fund the plan as there is no money in the budget. He stated he has a list of prospective contributors including the Steamship Authority, Hy-Line Cruises, Nantucket Island Resorts, ReMain Nantucket, and Stop and Shop, and it is not unreasonable to think that the money can be raised. Chairman Atherton requested clarification that the operational money is not coming from the Town. Mr. Miller stated that the Town is contributing the parking lot and associated improvements to it. NRTA Administrator Paula Leary said any plan utilizing existing NRTA equipment can be done relatively soon, and the Airport route could possibly be used. Mr. Miller said he feels the money has to be raised by 30 April 2014 to have the service in place for this summer, noting that if an alternate plan is used it would require new equipment which would take longer to procure and more money. Some discussion followed on the type of service to be provided, routes, and schedules. Ms. Gibson noted that if the Board and NRTA agree to proceed, the Town will use the DPW staff and equipment and its operating fund to make the necessary improvements to the parking lot. Mr. Miller stated that Mark Snider of the Nantucket Hotel is willing to fundraise from private parties. The Board and NRTA consensus is to move forward with a pilot program for 2014. Some discussion followed on overnight parking downtown.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Approved: March 18, 2015

