

MINUTES
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Thursday April 19, 2012

Present: Jane Lopes, David Thomas, Mark Belanger, Josephine Ruthwicz, Michael Maddigan, Maureen Franco arrived at 7:15
Absent: Ted Eayrs, Lauren Bell, David Maddigan
Others: None

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm in the Community Room at 8 Benton Street.

Minutes

The minutes of the March 8, 2012 meeting were reviewed

Motion: To approve the March 8, 2012 minutes as presented

By Michael Maddigan

Seconded by David Thomas

VOTE: 5-0-0

Old Business

Review of Action Items

1. Ms. Ruthwicz updated the draft project application and submitted it via email to all town departments, committees and commissions. No changes were suggested. The Capital Improvement Committee felt the application was thorough and comprehensive.
2. Mr. Belanger & Mr. D. Thomas worked on the recreation component of the CP Plan and submitted it
3. Ms. Ruthwicz combined all statutory goals into one CP Plan and forwarded it to all members to review at tonight's meeting
4. All members contact info was forwarded to all members
5. Mr. Belanger checked with the Coalition and dues are not required in the first year since there are no admin funds until our FY13 budget
6. Ms. Franco contacted the FinCom-their next meeting will be April 23rd.

Project Application – No changes on the draft project application were received or recommended by other town departments. The copies of the final application will be dropped off at the Library and Town Clerk's office. It will also be available on the CPA website.

MOTION: To approve the final version of the Community Preservation Project Application as presented

By Mark Belanger

Seconded by David Thomas

VOTE: 6-0-0

Community Preservation Plan – Each section of the CP Plan as prepared by each two person group has now been combined as one plan and submitted to all members for review prior to tonight's meeting. Components also included vision statements from the Planning Board and Conservation Committee. After some discussion, it was decided to have the Plan consist of an introductory overview that will make it easy to understand the purpose of CPA and how it relates to the application process. The CP Plan will also include the vision statements and goals from each of the 10% statutory groups. It was decided to remove the Planning and Conservation sections but to ensure that their visions are included throughout each component of the CP Plan. It was felt that the Recreation and Open Space section still needed some revisions. Mr. Maddigan volunteered to edit the Plan and forward to members before the next meeting.

New Business

An Act to Sustain Community Preservation- House Bill #765 – Mr. Belanger presented an update on HB765. It has unanimously passed in the House and has been forwarded to the Senate. If this bill is approved it will provide more state match funds to the communities.

Finance Committee Meeting – Members will attend the upcoming Finance Committee meeting to present the FY13 CPA budget. Since this is a money article, it has been suggested that it would be good to get the FinCom's approval at town meeting. Mr. Belanger, Ms. Franco and Ms. Ruthwicz will attend the next FinCom meeting on 4/23

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Jo to distribute copies of the final Project Application to the Town Clerk and the Library.
2. Jo to forward the final project app to all members
3. Mike to edit and revise the CP Plan and submit to members for review
4. Mo to prepare a spreadsheet for the FinCom meeting 4/23
5. Mo, Jo & Mark to attend Fin Com meeting

The next CPA meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 10, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Middleborough Housing Authority's Community Room located at 8 Benton Street.

MOTION: To adjourn the regular session meeting of the Community Preservation Committee.

By David Thomas

Seconded by Mark Belanger

VOTE: 6-0-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Josephine A Ruthwicz, Clerk

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used By The Body At The Meeting

1. March 8, 2012 meeting minutes
2. Draft Project Application
3. CPA Plan- Draft