

Community Preservation Committee Meeting of November 18, 2010

Place: Town Hall

6:30 p.m. meeting called to order by Chairman Lucas

A. Quorum/Attendance –

Members in Attendance: Chairman Lucas, William Markey, Terrence Meredith, Frank Rezendes, James Souza, and Cynthia McNaughten. Quorum present noted by Chairman Lucas.

Members not in Attendance: Jay Simmons and Carol Tyson.

Planning Director William Roth was also in attendance.

Chairman Lucas – Welcomed Ann Richard the newest CPC member.

B. Acceptance of Minutes –

Cynthia McNaughten – noted a correction on her name and a repeated word on the first page.

The Acceptance of Minutes of August 26, 2010 was addressed. Motion by Terrence Meredith seconded by William Markey to accept the minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

C. Bills -

- 1) William Roth –Mileage - \$156.50

James Souza motioned to pay this bill. Frank Rezendes seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor. The motion passed.

D. FY 2012 CPC APPLICATIONS RECIEVED

William Roth – Reviewed the process the CPC would be going through over the next few months and tonights meeting was to look at all of the applications in a general broad view. If key questions come up they can be sent to the applicants prior to the interviews with them. He also reviewed preliminary projections of available funds, which he estimated to be between \$350,000 to \$400,000.

1. Town Hall Repairs:\$ 89,040.00

William Roth – Reviewed the request and how it was presented in possible phases.

Chairman Lucas – Fixing the exterior of the building is extremely important.

Cynthia McNaughten – It say the pilasters are failing and may fall down. Shouldn't that be higher on their priority list?

Frank Rezendes – The priority has been reviewed by the Architect, let's ask that when they come in.

2. Fairhaven High School Renovations: \$300,000

Chairman Lucas – Discussed the request. The application is confusing. Are they asking for a grant match or a project?

William Roth – I agree.

Cynthia McNaughten – Can we ask for a copy of the grant application to the State?

Chairman Lucas – Yes, we can ask for whatever we deem necessary for us to make our decision.

Ann Richard – Can we fund a portion of this request? There are several projects within the request we could afford.

William Roth – You have control over the CPC funds and can fund whatever you as a committee, deem appropriate.

Chairman Lucas – If you look at the budget they submitted there are contingencies after contingencies built in. Looks like over 40% of the project. That seems excessive.

3. Historical Commission – Academy Gutter Project: \$ 2,880.00

Chairman Lucas – Reviewed the application.

There was general Committee discussion about copper verses aluminum gutters.

Frank Rezendes – The three bids need to be consistent as to what they are bidding on. You cannot tell

William Roth – You can ask them for clarification. I will let them know your concerns.

4. Housing Authority – Ash St. Siding & Repairs: \$ 50,000.00

Chairman Lucas – Reviewed the application.

There was general Committee discussion about the application. It was questioned why a building built in 1989 needed so much work and maybe there were better projects the Housing authority could have submitted.

5. Millicent Library – Envelope Study: \$7,750.00

Chairman Lucas – Reviewed the application. The building is as old as Town Hall and has similar issues that need to be addressed.

William Roth – Having the study with Architects recommendations makes it easier to apply for future Mass Historic Grant Funds.

Frank Rezendes – Is this for the entire building?

Chairman Lucas – It appears that it is not. They need to look at the building from the top down. This may need to be a bigger study than they are proposing.

Frank Rezendes – Maybe they should look at a more comprehensive study and use Library Trust funds and CPC funds.

6. Millicent Library Archivist – Woodside Cemetery Ground Penetrating Radar Project: \$8,937.50

Chairman Lucas – Reviewed the application.

Cynthia McNaughten – Discussed the issue of cemeteries and locations of graves. She used the Willow Park, which use to be the Town Cemetery as an example. It is a worthwhile project but may be a low priority this funding round.

Ann Richard – Who owns the Cemetery, the Town or Fairhaven Improvement Association?

Frank Rezendes – BPW maintains the property.

William Roth – Part of the application mentions the ownership issue and how there is documentation that could resolve the issue.

7. Coalition for Buzzards Bay – Wolf Island Well Open Space Project: \$73,988.00

Chairman Lucas – Reviewed the application.

Cynthia McNaughten – Can we buy property in another Town?

William Roth - Yes

E. Other Business

Chairman Lucas – Indicated that he would like a letter to be prepared for him to sign to send to the Conservation Commission Chair about the poor attendance record of Carol Tyson, their representative. The letter needs to indicate the importance of attendance at meetings. The busy months for Community Preservation Committee meetings are: November, December and January. There are time sensitive documents that need attention. Burden is on members to be present, as there are no substitutions.

Frank Rezendes – Wanted a status update on the NSTAR Property at Doane St.

William Roth – The Town and DCR made an offer, which was rejected by NSTAR. NSTAR came to the Town independently and made a proposal that they get two lots and the remainder of the property would be sold to the Town for the same price that the Town and DCR offered them. The selectmen refused. Since then there has been no communication.

F. Next Meeting TBA

William Roth – Normally the meeting would be December 16, 2010; however, I am not available. Will December 15, 2010 work for the Committee?

Terrence Meredith motioned to have the next meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2010. Terrence Meredith seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor. The motion passed.

James Souza - motioned to adjourn. Frank Rezendes seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William D. Roth, Jr.

Planning Director