

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE OF January 16, 2014: Planning Department Office**

**I. Administrative Business**

Chairperson, Jeffrey Lucas opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Quorum/Attendance:

Members Present: Chairperson, Jeffrey Lucas, Vice Chairperson, Frank Rezendes, William Markey, Cynthia McNaughten, Terrence P. Meredith, Janine Peccini and Ann Richard

Absent: Jay Simmons and Jim Sousa

Acceptance of Minutes: December 19, 2013

Terry Meredith made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Frank Rezendes.

Cynn timer McNaughten asked for an amendment to page 5, it should read "Historical Commission", not Historical Society. Mrs. McNaughten also asked for the correct spelling to her name.

Jeffrey Lucas asked for an amendment to the phrase "fog lights", should read "fog lines."

With those amendments, the motion to approve passed unanimously.

CPC Bills:

1. Office Supplies – Staples - \$257.77

William Roth advised it was for supplies such as, toner for the color laser printer.

Terry Meredith made a motion to pay the Staples bill at \$257.77 and was seconded by Frank Rezendes. The motion passed unanimously.

**II. PUBLIC MEETING:**

1. Review and Discuss FY15 Applications

William Roth started the discussion by explaining to the Board what monies that were available for FY15.

William Roth told the Board he broke down two separate options for them to consider while reviewing, on how to spend the money. He read from the information that was in each person's packet.

William Roth stated that the Town Hall sidewalk project, if bid all together would be cheaper, and if the Board wanted to fund all of Town Hall, they would have to eliminate a larger project such as the skate park. (He simply was giving them options on what they can do and what they couldn't do.)

Terry Meredith stated that they could leave a large undesignated balance to fund a sidewalk project for next year.

Jeffrey Lucas said it was illegal of them to pre-approve a project for next year now.

Terry Meredith said he could support one side of the Town Hall project.

Jeffrey Lucas said his concern was that he would hate to see three sides done and then find out that it wasn't done the right way, or doesn't hold up; even though the Engineer says it would be fine.

William Roth stated that he spoke to his engineer on the Community Block Grant Development project and he said the method of pouring a concrete base and resetting is how they do it in downtown Lexington and it's been very successful.

Jeffrey Lucas felt a little more comfortable, especially where Lexington gets a lot more snow than we do.

Cynn timer McNaughten said that this would be an on-going project.

Ann Richard asked about monies that last year Town Meeting gave the High School for windows and there was no matching grant from the State. Ms. Richard wondered if that money was still available.

William Roth stated they re-appropriated that money for the Fire Escape.

Terry Meredith stated he has lived in Town a long time and that he felt a lot of people in Town have concern over the trees that get pulled down. He thought maybe they 'test the water' with one side, that has to take down trees and see what the Townspeople say.

William Roth said they could do one side and the front. He said that the tree on the corner of the Town Hall and between the church are definitely going to have to come down, and Jeffrey Osuch is aware of it. Mr. Roth stated his argument is that another tree will go up and they are going to replant for the next generation.

Discussion ensued.

William Roth asked what elements of the Fire Building does the Committee need/want to apply funds toward.

Jeffrey Lucas began the discussion of each application asking the Board members what their feelings were for funding. Any questions or concerns.

1. Millicent Library – Everyone felt comfortable with funding this project at \$197,000.
2. FHS Window Restoration – Everyone felt comfortable funding this project at \$50,000.
3. Fhn Historical Commission – Academy Window Shade Project

The application was reworded to qualify.

Jeffrey Lucas was not very comfortable with the project. Other Board members were comfortable.

The Board agreed to fund the project for \$2,000.00.

William Roth stated that he would enhance the wording for Town Meeting.

4. Town Hall Restoration Project

Discussion on the table and whether it is a historical artifact ensued.

Everyone seemed comfortable with this project and the Board agreed to fund the project at \$2,500.00

5. Open Space & Recreation Plan Update

William Roth explained this was an element of the overall Master Plan.

The Board members had no reservations. The Board agreed to fund for \$20,000.00

6. Fhn Historical Commission – Fire Protection Building Phase II:

Jeffrey Lucas said that he, Cynn timer McNaughten and Terry Meredith had gone out to see the Fire Building.

William Roth asked Mr. Lucas if he had given the applicant direction for what was historical restoration that would qualify, to which Mr. Lucas said he thought he had.

Jeffrey Lucas expressed concern that he felt there was some inconsistencies between both quotes. He said they had wanted to cover the floors and he told them they could not do that. He said they had come to the realization they have to keep the floors but they didn't change the wording on the application.

Mr. Lucas thought that the Historical Commission should've done research on the floors before getting quotes to refinish them.

Cynn timer McNaughten stated that unfortunately it's only just Wayne Oliveria that does the research.

Mr. Lucas said he left a message for Wayne to call him back if he needed help rewording application to advise of restoration not renovation and Wayne had not returned his call.

Ann Richard concurred that the two different bids are totally different in what work would be done.

Again, Mr. Lucas stated it was not specific to restoration, but to renovation.

William Roth said they could put it aside and ask them to reword for restoration.

Jeffrey Lucas said he agreed with Mr. Roth to ask them to reword the application and rebid the specs.

More discussion ensued on what's fundable.

Ann Richard made a motion to table this discussion and have Jeffrey Lucas or Bill Roth talk to them about rewording and changing the scope of the project as well as rebidding and was seconded by William Markey.

A brief discussion on the painting ensued. Terry Meredith felt the painting might be part of the project, as Janine Peccini and Ann Richard said it would definitely be part of the project. Jeffrey Lucas did not.

Cynn timer McNaughten stated the problem was that it was difficult for the Historical Commission to get a quorum at their meetings.

William Roth stated the Historical Commission would need more time than CPC has. He suggested maybe they resubmit for next year.

Jeffrey Lucas said he would like to see them get the monies this year.

After more discussion, Jeffrey Lucas asked for a straw vote on who felt the painting would be part of the project. Ann Richard and Janine Peccini stated it would be. Terry Meredith, Frank Rezendes, William Markey and Jeffrey Lucas stated it would not. Cynn timer McNaughten had no opinion.

William Roth went over in new wording what would be fundable: windows, period doors, finishing and redoing the floors.

The motion passed unanimously.

## 7. Sconticut Neck Crossing

Ann Richard stated she felt it was a good project but a quick fix. She doesn't feel it would solve the big problem.

Janine Peccini said she would like to see it funded, whereas it could save a life. She said that the equipment is moveable if it didn't work in that area.

William Roth said that the Bikeway Committee was working with the BPW to put up white sticks to create a one lane.

Terry Meredith said that it would've been nice to hear from someone from BPW.

William Roth said they don't have enough width for the left turn and the straight lane, as well as the dedicated shoulder. He did say that the Bikeway Committee is working with BPW for a larger project for safety concerns.

Jeffery Lucas was concerned that they didn't go in front of the Board of Selectman.

Discussion on the impact to the community with this project ensued.

After the discussion, everyone agreed they would fund the project at \$12,000.

#### 8. Livesey Skate Park Rehabilitation Project

Terry Meredith liked the project.

Cynn timer McNaughten said, "Go for it."

Jeffrey Lucas wished there were two bids.

Frank Rezendes thought it seemed like a lot of money.

Ann Richard stated it did include the design and everything.

Frank Rezendes said he would've liked to see a basis of comparison for the money, he thought it seemed expensive.

William Roth stated that Ann Richard worked diligently on the estimate; and unfortunately it is site work and concrete, and concrete is expensive.

Ann Richard said that last year they redid the tennis court area and the ice skate rink resurfacing and that was \$35,000; which gives you an idea of comparison.

Ms. Richard stated it has to go out to bid.

Frank Rezendes said he felt more comfortable with the project. He had thought the \$60,000 was a firm bid, but realized it was just an estimate.

Everyone agreed to fund the project at \$60,000.00

William Roth stated that it seemed the Board was leaning toward funding Option 2 as outlined.

Brief discussion on funding ensued.

#### 9. Town Hall Sidewalks – Phase 1 & 2

Everyone agreed that they have the money to fund the two sides, so they agreed to fund Phase 1 (William Street) at \$64,000.00 and Phase 2 (Center Street) at \$72,000.00.

William Roth stated they would need a concrete dollar amount for the Fire Protection Building.

The Board agreed to meet on Thursday, February 13, 2014 to further discuss.

Ann Richard made a motion for FY15 Annual Town Meeting Article as follows:

**Community Housing:**

Reserve for future appropriations \$50,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

**Open Space:**

Open Space & Recreation Plan Update: \$20,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

Reserve for future appropriations \$30,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

**Historic:**

Fairhaven High School Window Restoration: \$50,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

Town Hall Sidewalks (Phase 1- William St & Phase 2- Center St): \$136,000.00 with (\$112,400 from FY15 Est. Receipts and \$23,600 from Undesignated Fund Balance)

FHC – Academy Window Shade Project \$2,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

**Recreation:**

Scoticut Neck Crossing Enhancement Safety Project: \$12,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

Livesey Skate Park Rehabilitation Project \$60,000.00 from FY15 Est. Receipts

**Admin** \$12,600 from FY15 Est. Receipts

And was seconded by Terry Meredith. The motion passed unanimously.

Ann Richard made a motion for FY15 Special Town Meeting article as follows:

**Special Town Meeting:**

Millicent Library – Exterior Restoration Phase I \$197,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance

Town Hall Table Restoration Project \$2,500.00 from Historic Preservation Fund Balance

And was seconded by Terry Meredith. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**IV. NEXT MEETING:**

February 13, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Ann Richard made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Frank Rezendes. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Patricia A. Pacella  
Recording Secretary