

# Town of Barnstable COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



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Lindsey B. Counsell – Chair • Laura F. Shufelt – Vice Chair • Marilyn Fifield – Historical Commission • Terry Duenas – At Large • Sue Rohrbach – At Large Paul R. Curley – Planning Board • Tom Lee – Conservation Commission • Richard Saywer – Recreation Commission • Deborah Converse – Housing Authority Will Crocker – Town Council Liaison

# Monday, June 23, 2014 Regular Public Hearing – Approved Minutes 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Hearing Room

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| Lindsey Counsell – Chair              | Present |
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| Laura Shufelt – Vice Chair            | Present |
| Marilyn Fifeld – Clerk                | Present |
| Paul Curley                           | Present |
| Terry Duenas                          | Present |
| Tom Lee                               | Present |
| Sue Rohrbach                          | Absent  |
| Richard Sawyer                        | Present |
| Deborah Converse                      | Absent  |
| William Crocker, Town Council Liaison | Absent  |

After the adjournment of the Annual Meeting and prior to the official start of the regular public hearing, the following general discussion was held.

#### **General Discussion:**

Chair Counsell reported that the conservation restriction on the Korkuch property had been resolved. The Town Council has approved the CPA funding for the historic horse trough in Hyannis, the HVAC system for the Centerville Historical Society Museum, and the exterior restoration of the Burgess Barn and the U.S. Custom House. He said the bike path easement work has been done, as well, and at the last Town Council meeting, the funding request for the Barnstable Community Horace Mann Charter Public School playground was approved. Town acquisition of the Stones Antique property was also approved; although a motion was made to change the funding source from CPA to the Town's general fund.

Tom Lee reported that he attended the Town Council meeting for the Korkuch property, and the Council discussed the need for more time to digest CPC applications, since they coincided with the Town Council's busy budget review schedule. He suggested that CPC review the funding timeline to minimize the intrusion in the Town Council's budget review process.

Laura Shufelt felt that the CPC needs to do more publicity to let people know that funding is available. Terry Duenas and she agreed to work on developing a marketing strategy.

## Call to Order - Regular Public Meeting

With a quorum present, Chair Lindsey Counsell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Chair Counsell then read into record: "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s.20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known." Patricia LeBoef, reporter for the Barnstable Patriot, stated that she was recording.

#### **New Business**

A motion was duly made by Marilyn Fifield, seconded by Richard Sawyer, to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2014, and May 19, 2014, meetings, as amended; voted unanimously to approve.

367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601 Phone: 508-862-4749 Fax: 508-862-4782 A motion was duly made by Richard Sawyer, seconded by Paul Curley, to approve the grant funding cycle to a Spring deadline of March and the Fall deadline of September; so voted unanimously to approve.

#### **Letters of Intent**

A letter of intent was received from Mr. Ryan Richardson seeking CPC interest in acquiring a 3.77 acre piece of property located off Old Stage Road in Centerville (Map/Par 190/068). Chair Counsell noted that this property abuts the Andrews Conservation area just north of Great Marsh Road.

Mr. Richardson confirmed that the parcel is all land and water, with no buildings. He also stated that the Town has two drain lines that drain onto his property from Old Stage Road causing water and debris to pollute the area and that it abuts Town property that has many dog-walking paths through it. Mr. Richardson stated that the only restriction he would like to have is no access to the land through his property.

A motion was duly made by Terry Duenas, seconded by Paul Curley, to move the request for the Town to purchase a 3.77 acre parcel of land (Map/Par 190/068) in Centerville to the full application stage; so voted unanimously to approve.

A letter of intent was received from Joseph Scott of the Barnstable Little League seeking \$100,000 for renovation of an existing baseball field at Barnstable Community Horace Mann Charter Public School. He stated that the funds will be used to change the position of the current fields, upgrade them to make them safe and playable and to allow for tournament play.

The total budget is \$150,000-\$200,000, and site plan approval has been received, along with support from the Recreation Commission and the School Committee. This will be a private construction project with in-kind donations for services and time.

Laura Shufelt asked if they would be leasing the land from the Town, as it owns the land. Mr. Scott replied that they are working out details for a user agreement, with the fields to be maintained by the Barnstable Little League.

Mr. Scott stated that the Little League would oversee the project and put it out to sealed bid, with the lowest qualified contractor to be awarded the job. Chair Counsell asked that the application include an itemized list of items being funded

A motion was duly made by Richard Sawyer, seconded by Terry Duenas, to recommend the funding request in the amount of \$100,000 for renovation of a Barnstable Little League baseball field at the BCHMCPS be moved to full application stage; so voted unanimously to approve.

A letter of intent was received from the Barnstable Land Trust seeking \$225,000 for joint acquisition with the Cotuit Fire District of a conservation restriction on 16 acres of Lowell Park in Cotuit.

Jaci Barton of the Barnstable Land Trust was present to speak to this funding request. She stated that the BLT has an agreement to purchase the entire 19 acres around Lowell Park; with, the field occupying a portion of the 19 acres. The request is for BLT to sell to the Town a 100- foot buffer immediately around the field to protect it. She said that the CPC is being asked for funds to help purchase the remaining 16 acres that the BLT will own outright, and the BLT has gone to the Cotuit Fire District to ask for \$225,000 which was approved in May. They are asking the CPC for matching funds, and the Town will jointly hold a conservation restriction with the Fire District on the 16 acres, with fee interest owned by the BLT.

Richard Sawyer asked what the restrictions would be, and Ms. Barton responded that the restrictions on the land the Town would purchase would be those which come from the Lowell family, specifically prohibiting any lighting of the field. The restrictions on the 16 acres are driven by protection of water quality and natural resources so that it would protect the water supply and be used for passive recreation use.

She added that a draft conservation restriction would be included with the application, and she asked the members to let her know of anything they would modify..

A motion was duly made by Paul Curley, seconded by Terry Duenas, to move the funding request of the Barnstable Land Trust for \$225,000 for a joint conservation restriction held with the Cotuit Fire District of 16 acres of land in Lowell Park to the full application stage; so voted unanimously to approve.

A letter of intent was received from the Recreation Division for funds up to \$45,000 for improvements to the Town's skate park and basketball courts at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center. Patti Machado, Director of Leisure Services, stated that the park is in disarray and is currently not safe. Richard Sawyer said that this project is rated #4 priority by the Recreation Commission.

A motion was duly made by Terry Duenas, seconded by Richard Sawyer, to move the funding request from the Recreation Division in the amount of approximately \$45,000 for improvements to the HYCC skate park and basketball courts to the full application stage; so voted unanimously to approve.

# Correspondence

An email was received from the Chair of the Board of Trustees of South Congregational Church in Centerville inquiring as to the eligibility of restoration of gravestones in their burial ground for CPA funding.. Chair Counsell said that in a preliminary discussion of the question, Assistant Town Attorney David Houghton felt clarification is needed regarding what interest the Town would acquire if funds were granted. Marilyn Fifield asked to be included in the loop regarding the discussion and will confirm if the burial ground is on the National Register.

# Closing Public Comment

None

## Adjournment

A motion was duly made by Richard Sawyer, seconded by Paul Curley, to adjourn. By unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Next Regularly Scheduled CPC Meeting – Monday, July 28, 2014

Email from South Congregational Church - Restoration of burial ground

#### List of documents/exhibits used by the Committee at the meeting

| Exhibit #1 | Draft CPC Meeting Minutes of 5/19/14   |
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| Exhibit #2 | Revised Fiscal Year 2015 CPC Grant Cycle   |
| Exhibit #3 | Letter of Intent – Ryan Richardson – Property Acquisition                                    |
| Exhibit #4 | Letter of Intent – Barnstable Little League – Construction of field                          |
| Exhibit #5 | Letter of Intent – Barnstable Land Trust – Joint Conservation Restriction Lowell Field       |
| Exhibit #6 | Letter of Intent – Recreation Division – Improvements to skate park and basketball courts at |
|            | HYCC   |

Respectfully submitted,

Exhibit #7

Marjorie Watson Administrative Assistant Community Preservation Committee

<u>Please Note</u>: The list of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. It is possible that if it so votes, the Committee may go into executive session. The Committee may also act on items in an order other than they appear on this agenda.

<sup>\*</sup> Public files are available for viewing during normal business hours at the Community Preservation office located at 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA