



Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

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The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in person at the Duxbury Senior Center.

Members Present: Kathy Cross, Tag Carpenter, Tony Kelso, Kathy Palmer, and Holly Morris.

Members Absent: George Wadsworth

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator

Chair, Holly Morris welcomed everyone and called the Community Preservation Committee to order at 11:05 a.m.

Project Updates:

Isaac Simmons Farm: Tag Carpenter reported one proposal was received in response to the RFP, however it does not meet the requirements. The RFP review Committee will meet on Wednesday (9/7) to complete the process with rankings resulting in a recommendation. The Committee raised the following questions during the discussion: Is the town able to waive any restrictions of the RFP? Can CPA money be used to fund improvements/assessments (e.g., septic, asbestos survey, home inspection)? Would it be beneficial to reach out to those who attended the open houses but did not ultimately bid? Should the house be winterized to save on heating costs? Tag Carpenter will request to be added to the Selectboard's agenda to provide an update.

Delorenzo Farm: Brett Sovick met with some of the neighbors surrounding the farm. He said they were very supportive of his plans for the property.

Ricker Purchase: Nancy Rufo is going to meet with PacTV to produce an informational video similar to what was done for the Pink land purchase.

Discussion on increasing the CPA surcharge: The committee discussed the best strategy to publicize a return to 3%. It would be helpful if organizations that have benefitted from CPA funding would speak in favor of the return to a 3% surcharge at the October 17, 2022 Special Town Meeting. It would also be helpful if they could write letters to the *Clipper* detailing their experience and support of 3%. Resident feedback was received that they would like to know more about the achievements of the CPA. It would be helpful to publicize and inform the community about what has been accomplished. Ms. Morris will draft an article for the *Clipper* detailing the benefits of returning to 3% with emphasis on the fact that money is going to our town for protection of our water supply and open space, etc. She noted it may also be helpful to submit articles based on purpose (e.g., historical, open space, affordable housing, recreation). Kathy Cross will try to draft something along those lines. One popular slogan to consider is "Give a little. Get a lot". Tony Kelso will speak with Joanne Moore to see if a fact sheet could be distributed. Reminder that there is a presentation by the CPC scheduled at the Senior Center on 9/28/22 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Morris also spoke with Rep. Josh Cutler about the increase and he fully supports returning to 3%.

ADJOURN: At 12:40 p.m. Kathy Cross made a motion, seconded by Tony Kelso, to adjourn the Community Preservation Committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Next Meeting is Scheduled for September 14, 2022 at 11:00 a.m in the Mural Room at Duxbury Town Hall.

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