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Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

Minutes of November 7, 2019

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 8:15 AM in the Mural Room at the Duxbury Town Hall.

Members Present: Holly Morris; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini; Tony Kelso; Paul McCormack; Kathy Palmer; Terry Vose

Members Absent: Sarianna Seewald

Staff Present: Joe Grady, CPC Administrator; Susan Ossoff, CPC Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holly Morris at 8:15 am.

Tag Carpenter, who will be taking the seat soon to be vacated by Terry Voss representing the Historic Commission, attended the meeting.

MEETINGS WITH PROJECT APPLICANTS:

Land Acquisition

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Tony Kelso made the following motion: I move we go into Executive Session to consider the taking, purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, as such discussion in an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of this Commission; and to reconvene in open session at the conclusion of the Executive Session in accordance with MGL Ch. 30A, s. 21. The motion was seconded by Terry Vose. The Roll Call vote was: Holly Morris, yes; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, yes; Tony Kelso, yes; Paul McCormack, yes; Kathy Palmer, yes; Terry Vose, yes.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 8:45 am.

Residential Design Guidelines Book

Sara McCormack and Steve Williams described the project. They have been working for years on developing guidelines to help people understand the elements of good design. They have presented this to the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals. They are requesting \$3000 to print 200-300 copies; it is also available online.

Steve Williams said the intent is to help preserve scenic values unique to Duxbury and help preserve the Town's character. They want to raise public awareness of the basic principles of good design. Kathy Palmer said that when someone gets a building permit, they could be directed to the book online rather than give out a hard copy, or perhaps they could charge for copies of the book. Sara McCormack said they don't think they should charge for them. Tony Kelso said he doesn't think this project fits under the guidelines for projects that can be funded with CPC funds. Holly Morris reviewed the guidance offered by the Community Preservation Coalition which say it must 'acquire, preserve, rehabilitate, or restore the historic resource.' She

said this project does not fit any of those criteria. Tony Kelso suggested they see if Inspectional Services might be able to fund the project.

Softball Field Dugouts

Jane Carroll, a softball coach, and Kelley Laviolette, President of Duxbury Youth Softball, were present to discuss the project. Jane Carroll said there are safety issues at the fields. There are 2 softball fields at the High School and one at Train field that don't have dugouts and this project is to install 2 dugouts at the High School fields and 2 dugouts at Train field. The dugouts improve player safety and management. The project also includes a request for irrigation for Onion field (which already has dugouts) and for a storage shed.

Tony Kelso asked if they have gone before the School Committee because some of the work being proposed is on school property. Jane Carroll said they have not gone before the School Committee but will; they do have the support of the facilities director Brian Cherry. Paul McCormack said this project has 3 components: dugouts, a shed, and water. He believes the school should fund the water since it is on their property. He believes the cost estimate for the shed is extremely high and a simpler metal structure could be purchased for significantly less money. Cynthia Ladd Fiorini suggested they approach Facilities Manager Brian Cherry regarding the need for irrigation; it is an issue for the school to address, not CPC.

Kelly Laviolette said Duxbury Youth Softball could contribute \$5,000 to fund some sort of shed. Jane Carroll said perhaps the best approach is to ask the schools to address the water issue, have Duxbury Youth Softball fund the shed, and have CPC fund the dugout structures.

Cynthia Ladd Fiorini asked whether Duxbury Youth Softball supports this project and Kelly Laviolette said they do; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini asked if any fundraising has been done for this project. Jane Carroll said the fees for softball are much lower than for some other sports; they did a fundraiser last year for new/improved equipment and gear.

OPEN PROJECT UPDATES

Joe Grady informed the CPC that the Affordable Housing Trust wishes to postpone their withdrawal of the Housing Coordinator project; they want to give it further consideration.

PROJECTS SUBMITTED FOR 2020 – UPDATES AND INFORMATION

None

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Invoices and Requisitions approved since the last meeting

Part of Invoice #122738 for KP Law was paid in the amount of \$214.50 for help with issues recording a Conservation Restriction for the Merry project.

The Committee expressed its deep thanks to Terry Vose who has served on the CPC but is stepping off the committee. Terry's dedication and enthusiasm have been deeply appreciated.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, seconded by Tony Kelso, it was voted 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 am.