



Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

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The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee met on Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Duxbury Town Hall Mural Room.

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

Members Absent: David Utti

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator and Debbie Ballem, Principal Assistant

Holly Morris called the Community Preservation Committee to order at 9:05 a.m. Board members briefly discussed the following CPC Annual Town Meeting articles:

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

Steele Tennis Courts and Chandler School Playground

There have been fundraising efforts for the Chandler School Playground which will be dedicated to Laney Ladd. The School Playground project is well on their way to reaching their goal. Fundraising efforts for the Tennis Courts has not begun.

DAHT East Bog Reimbursement

The East Street Bog reimbursement is indefinitely postponed. Still waiting on final plan. Board members noted that there should be a large area set aside as Conservation land, which is to be determined.

DAHT Temple Street Lot Reimbursement

Board members discussed funding allocations regarding the reimbursement and the possibility of indefinitely postponing.

Housing Consultant

Board members discussed CPC administrative expenses related to properties and what funds can be used to pay for these costs.

Girl Scout House

The Girl Scout House project is indefinitely postponed due to possible accessibility issues, and the need for interior upgrades.

PROJECT UPDATES

CPC board members and Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator, presented updates ongoing CPC and Open Space, Historical Commission, Housing, and Conservation Commission projects.

Delorenzo Farm

Farm project is moving forward and Brett has been repurposing materials found on the Delorenzo property as well as from the Cowell bog to construct fencing and shelter for farm

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animals. DPW is assisting with the removal of trash and debris from the property which was included in the article. Bret is navigating issues relating to the proposed construction of ground-mounted solar panels.

Ricker property purchase

The purchase of 293 Mayflower Street was finalized on January 12, 2023. Brad Doyle has the management agreement for the property.

761 Temple Street

Board Members discussed the details of the sale of 761 Temple Street. March 10th is the deadline for bids. The town is currently reviewing dozens of proposals. There will be a formal Q&A and a meeting regarding RFP's within the upcoming weeks.

Modoc Street

The earth removal project which included clearing 8 acres is now halfway done. The sand from this project is the perfect match for Duxbury Beach sand, and will be used for the beach nourishment project. Board members discussed the need to be cautious about clearing land for the purpose of earth removal.

CPA Surcharge

Board members discussed the importance of the CPA surcharge increase. After being reduced to 1% in 2013, it has had negative impacts on the ability to complete major construction projects. Returning the rate back to the original 3% would allow the town to fund necessary projects which Duxbury residents benefit from. Town meetings allow residents to decide on how the money is spent.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Approval of CPC meeting minutes were moved to the next CPC meeting.
There were no requisitions or invoices to review.

NEW BUSINESS

There are no new business items.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10:15 a.m. Tony Kelso made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kathy Cross. Motion passed unanimously 6 - 0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.