

Town of Duxbury 15 AM 8: 36 Community Preservation Committee, MASS:

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2022

The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Duxbury Town Hall Mural Room.

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

Members Absent: George Wadsworth and David Uitti.

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator and Pat Loring, Volunteer.

Chair, Holly Morris called the Community Preservation Committee to order at 9:05 a.m.

Special Town Meeting Debrief:

Ricker Land Purchase: Purchase of the Ricker land by the Town of Duxbury was approved at the October 17, 2022 Special Town Meeting. Closing is planned for January 2023. The Rickers have requested narrower easements. Iain Ward, Cranberry Consultant to the Conservation Commission, will work with the Rickers on the easement widths.

3% CPA Surcharge Increase: Duxbury's CPA surcharge of 3% passed voters' approval at the October 17, 2022 Special Town Meeting putting this question on the ballot in the Spring. There was a large turnout of voters at the meeting.

<u>Article 13</u>: Funding for additional expenses for the Isaac Simmons Farm passed without discussion.

Review CPA 2023 Applications:

The following 2023 CPA funding requests were received by the October 15, 2022 deadline:

- 1. <u>Duxbury Public Schools: Renovation of the Steele Athletic Complex Tennis Courts.</u>
 Request is for \$277,638. The courts, owned by the Duxbury School Department, are in poor condition with drainage issues.
- Duxbury Public Schools: Renovation of Three Elementary School Playgrounds, two at Chandler School and one at Alden School. Request is \$200,000 towards replacing the Chandler front playground only. The total cost to replace the front playground is \$269,425.50. Future requests may include the Chandler back playground (\$466,515.30) and Alden playground (\$396,083.70). The total cost to replace all three playgrounds is estimated at \$1,132.024.50.
- 3. <u>Duxbury Affordable Housing Trust</u>: Reimbursement for the East Street Bogs. Amount to be determined based on future appraisal.
- 4. Duxbury Affordable Housing Trust: Reimbursement for 761 Temple Street lot, \$250,000.
- 5. <u>Duxbury Affordable Housing Trust</u>: Outside consultant, \$19,600. Discussion followed on the legal complications of reimbursing the Affordable Housing Trust (DAHT). Input from Planning Director Chris Ryan will be needed.
- 6. <u>Duxbury Girls Scouts</u>: Renovation to the Washington Street town-owned Girl Scout House, \$28,677.65. Tag Carpenter assisted with the proposal, with input from Town Manager René Read, Recreation Director, Steve Studley, and Facilities Director Kristina

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Knowles. Not all agree as to when the work will be done. GSA Leader Joan Riser will need to receive full support for the project.

A full discussion of the proposals followed, including:

- There are not enough CPA funds to cover the projects as presented and it is unknown whether the increase to a 3% surcharge will be approved in the spring.
- In order to move forward with the current proposals, it was agreed the applicants, including the Superintendent of Schools, Facilities Director, Recreation Director and Affordable Housing Trust members should attend a future CPC meeting to discuss in person the current CPA financial situation, their current proposals and how to reconcile the budgets and the project priorities. Holly Morris will contact applicants to invite them to a future CPC meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Minutes for Approval: Approval of minutes was postponed.

Invoices Since the Last Meeting: Review of invoices was postponed.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Delorenzo Farm</u>: Site has been cleaned up. West End Drilling expects to begin well drilling tomorrow, October 21. A meeting is also scheduled tomorrow with the local person who will use horses to clear trees within the agricultural area. Also, a town owned trail camera will be installed. A request to close the property to the public during the upcoming work is likely to be presented to the Conservation Commission at their next meeting.

ADJOURN: At 10:35 a.m. Kathy Cross made a motion, seconded by Tony Kelso, to adjourn the Community Preservation Committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

The Next Meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.