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Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

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MINUTES OF April 6, 2023

The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee met on Thursday, April 6, 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 9:00 a.m. Board members had a brief discussion regarding the voting results at the Town Meeting on March 11th, and the passing of the 3% Community Preservation Act surcharge. Tony Kelso suggested publishing an advertisement in the Duxbury Clipper, thanking everyone for taking the time to vote.

PROJECT UPDATES

Delorenzo Farm

Kathy Cross provided an update on Delorenzo Farm and summarized an on-site meeting with Brett Sovick. Rows of garlic have been planted, and trenches will be dug for water lines. Tree clearing, removal of deadwood, and establishing a fence line around the farm is in progress. Brett is hoping to complete the tree clearing soon to avoid disturbing birds during nesting season. Brett plans to repurpose found materials, including metal roofing from Crowell barn. Funds for solar have been earmarked for Delorenzo with the state. However, the farm will need to comply with the town bylaw regarding ground-mounted solar.

Nancy Rufo confirmed that DPW will allow the transport of debris from the farm to the transfer station, as long as trash and other materials are carefully separated. There are many volunteers to assist with the cleanup who will need to sign waivers. Sam Butcher will be writing a series of articles for the Duxbury Clipper regarding the Delorenzo farm project.

761 Temple Street

Working Group recommended a bid and the town is moving forward with the purchase and sale agreement. The new owners are Duxbury residents who plan to use the space for educational programs.

Open Space and Recreation Plan

Kathy Cross updated the committee on action items assigned to the Community Preservation Committee regarding the Open Space and Recreation plan. Holly Morris and Kathy Cross discussed the benefit of an objective person reviewing the existing Open Space and Recreation Plan, and possibility helping to create a revised plan.

Tag Carpenter provided a summary on action items assigned to the Historical Commission. Mr. Carpenter stated that while Duxbury has a Historic District recognized by the state, the town lacks a Historic Preservation plan. Board members discussed how other towns offer grants and tax incentives for homeowners to preserve their historic homes. Mr. Carpenter stated that this would need be integrated into town bylaws.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Approve Remote ZOOM Session Meeting Minutes: January 24, 2023

Tag Carpenter made a motion, seconded by Tony Kelso, to approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2023, as amended. Motion passed unanimously 6–0.

Approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes: February 16, 2023

Tag Carpenter made a motion, seconded by Bri Leing, to approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2023, as amended. Motion passed unanimously 6–0.

Approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes: February 28, 2023

Tony Kelso made a motion, seconded by Tag Carpenter, to approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2023, as amended. Motion passed unanimously 6–0.

Approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes: March 9, 2023

Bri Leing made a motion, seconded by tag Carpenter, to approve Regular Session Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2023, as amended. Motion passed unanimously 6–0

NEW BUSINESS

No new business items.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10:18 a.m. Tag Carpenter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bri Leing. Motion passed unanimously 6 - 0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.