



Town of Barnstable
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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Committee Members

Lindsey B. Counsell – Chair • Laura F. Shufelt – Vice Chair • Marilyn Fifield – Historical Commission • Terry Duenas – At Large • Sue Rohrbach – At Large
 Stephen Helman – Planning Board • Tom Lee – Conservation Commission • Richard Sawyer – Recreation Commission • Deborah Converse – Housing Authority
 Will Crocker – Town Council Liaison

Monday, August 24, 2015
Regular Public Hearing – Approved Minutes

367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA - 2nd Floor – Selectmen's Conference Room

5:30 PM

Lindsey Counsell – Chair	Present
Laura Shufelt – Vice Chair	Present
Marilyn Fifield – Clerk	Present
Terry Duenas	Present
Stephen Helman	Present
Tom Lee	Present
Sue Rohrbach	Present
Richard Sawyer	Present
Deborah Converse	Present
William Crocker, Town Council Liaison	Absent

Call to Order

With a quorum present, Chair Lindsey Counsell called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Chair Counsell then read into record: "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s.20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known." No one present was recording the meeting.

Minutes

None

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Old Business

None

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New Business

None

Letters of Intent

South Congregational Church, Centerville for restoration of stones and markers at historical burying ground. Request: \$7,425. Consideration was deferred to the next meeting, at the request of the applicant.

JFK Museum, funds for a permanent display at the former Armory, Hyannis. Request: \$75,000 Consideration was deferred, pending further legal research.

Barnstable Town Clerks Office, historical records preservation, 1643 to 1966. Request: \$30,000

Ann Quirk, Town Clerk, was present to explain plans for preservation of historic Town records of births, deaths and marriages to allow for public access for research. She displayed a representative deteriorating volume of 1728 Town records that requires a staffer with white gloves to turn pages for public research, noting that enclosing each page in mylar would preserve the originals, while copying to CD/laser fiche,

also part of this project, would allow more convenient and searchable public access without touching the historic documents. She pointed out that page edges are now disintegrating and losing content, and she noted that Civil War records of Town residents who served, as well as a handwritten copy of the Declaration of Independence, are included among the historic Town records to be preserved and copied for public access. She added that the oldest documents would be preserved first and stored in a climate-controlled, fireproof vault in the Town Clerk's office, and she explained that the company selected qualified by its comprehensive service. She thought a future project might involve preservation of old Town Maps.

On the motion of Sue Rohrbach, with second by Richard Sawyer, the Committee voted unanimously to advance the Letter of Intent seeking \$30,000 to Application for consideration at the next meeting.

Applications/Presentations

Application for acquisition of Open Space at 230 Old Colony Rd. Hyannis. Request: Up to \$9,500 for project estimated at \$8,000 plus legal expenses

Chair Counsell explained that the funds requested would complete the Town acquisition of land around Snow's Creek, and, after discussion Richard Sawyer moved to recommend the expenditure of \$9,500 in open space funds to the Town Council, with Tom Lee seconding the motion, and the vote unanimous.

Correspondence

None

General Discussion

The Chairman discussed Community Preservation revenue, noting that the State share is now down to approximately 17%.

He also reported the unexpected death of the Committee's historic preservation consultant, Jim Hadley, noting that he had done an excellent job and saved the Town a lot of money on historic preservation projects. Chair Counsell also reported the retirement of the Committee's administrative assistant, Marjorie Watson, adding that she had also provided excellent support for the Committee. He noted that property management is needed, but, without that task, the Committee requires just a part-time staff support of up to 20 hours per week, including serving as liaison with Community Preservation funds applicants and grantees.

Richard Sawyer inquired if it was time for the annual Committee election of officers, and it was scheduled for the next meeting.

Closing Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Richard Sawyer's motion to adjourn was seconded by Tom Lee and voted unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm

Next Regularly Scheduled CPC Meeting – September 28, 2015

List of documents/exhibits used by the Committee at the meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Fifield, Clerk
Community Preservation Committee

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