



# 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  
Paul R. Curley – Planning Board • Tom Lee – Conservation Commission • Richard Sawyer – Recreation Commission • Deborah Converse – Housing Authority  
Will Crocker – Town Council Liaison

**Monday, June 23, 2014**  
**Annual Meeting – Approved Minutes**  
367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Hearing Room  
**5:30 PM**

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

### Call to Order

With a quorum present, Chair Lindsey Counsell called the meeting to order at 5:33 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." Patricia LeBoef, reporter for the Barnstable Patriot, stated that she was recording the meeting.

### Public Comment

Chair Counsell asked for public comment regarding the Community Preservation Committee's goals and performance. No one from the public spoke.

Chair Counsell then stated that the Community Preservation Act requires the CPC to annually review their goals for the upcoming year. He then asked for input on each of the goals from the members.

**Housing** – Creation of new affordable housing opportunities, preserving existing affordable housing and working to prevent homelessness are emphasized.

- No new projects on the immediate horizon.

**Historic** – The exterior envelope of historic structures, especially Town-owned property, should always receive priority consideration.

- Richard Sawyer asked if the emphasis on Town-owned properties in the historic goal was a vision of the CPC. He said the language had been changed to public access vs. Town-owned and asked if the language should be changed in the CPC goal. Chair Counsell suggested that he look at the guidelines and perhaps this could be tweaked, further noting that a priority of the Town Council is to focus on Town buildings.

**Open Space** – Acquiring land, interest in land, or participating in partnerships to preserve land to protect sensitive embayment and drinking water supply, preserving open lands, and protecting habitats, agricultural lands, and cultural, historic, and scenic landscapes remain priorities.

- No comment from the members

**Recreation** – Increasing recreational opportunities and access to the waterfront for residents and visitors, and linking existing protected areas to create habitat corridors and recreational opportunities also remain priorities.

- Richard Sawyer commented that the goal as stated has an emphasis on waterfront properties, but he reminded that the CPA amendment in August of 2012 allows existing playing fields to be updated. He asked if this should be included, and Chair Counsell replied that the goals as stated are a brief synopsis, but suggested that Mr. Sawyer review them further and report back at the next meeting.

Chair Counsell then opened the meeting up to general discussion.

Laura Shufelt stated that there is a new program to help renovate existing State housing. It is a high leverage asset preservation program, with Housing Authorities to fund 30% of the cost of the project through local funding and the State funding the difference. The properties must have a certain level of need, and there is a Statewide list of these properties. The Barnstable Housing Authority has one multi-unit property on this list which includes over 60 units for the elderly population.

Terry Duenas asked if the committee is missing out on opportunities to fund affordable housing, and Ms. Shufelt replied that the economic downturn affected development, although the economy is now on the upswing, which will create more opportunities for development. She added that opportunities would also increase if the new overlay district is approved in Hyannis.

#### Adjournment

After no further comment was received, Chair Lindsey Counsell entertained a motion to adjourn, moved by Richard Sawyer, seconded by Tom Lee; so voted unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marjorie Watson  
Administrative Assistant  
Community Preservation Committee

Please Note: The list of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. It is possible that if it so votes, the Committee may go into executive session. The Committee may also act on items in an order other than they appear on this agenda.

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