

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

January 8, 2020

**Present:** Brian Litchfield, Co-Chair, Sandy Slavin, Co-Chair, George Barrett, Jean Connaughton, Joan Kinniburgh, Barbara Smith, Sherbie Worthen

**Guests:** Michele Bissonnette, Town Clerk, Karl Troupe, President, Wareham Girl's Softball, Marie Grieg

**Call to Order:** Sandy Slavin opened meeting at 6:02pm.

**Spring Town Meeting Proposals:**

**Digitization of Town Clerk's Records** – Requesting \$150,000 under Historic Preservation, Michelle Bissonnette explained the magnitude of the project and her plan to withdraw the proposal until many issues have been explored. She thanked Judy Whiteside for all of her volunteer work with town records. Unions, and maintenance were two concerns. Ms. Bissonnette will have ongoing discussions with Matt Underhill. She will also visit other communities before embarking on this huge project.

**Wareham Girl's Softball Upgrades** – Requesting \$40,000 under Recreation, Karl Troupe and the committee held a lengthy discussion about various needs of the program and possible economies. All maintenance is handled by program volunteers. The major upgrades would be purchasing the currently rented storage containers, and a tractor which would save the costs of a landscaping company. Brian Litchfield suggested sharing a tractor with the Soccer program which has already purchased a tractor with CPA funds. Mr. Troupe said he would discuss this with the Soccer president, Bob Catarius and will send his response to CPC. The committee will be voting on projects, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**February 3, 2020:** Proposals are due to BoS.

**CPC Funds:** Based on State information the committee can expect an estimated one million in 2021, ie. \$350,000 for Reserves and \$50,000 for Administration.

**No invoices**

**No Open Project Updates**

**Minutes, December 11, 2019:** Jean Connaughton made motion to approve, Barbara Smith seconded. **Vote: 6-0-1**

**Adjournment:** vote to adjourn made and accepted, 7:30pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen, Clerk, Community Preservation Committee*

*Sherbie Worthen, 3/22/21*