

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

7-12-17

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

**Guests:** Trent and Cory Blanchard, Garry Buckminster, Wareham Dog Park, Derek Sullivan, Dave Menard, Town Hall Slate and Rubber Roofs, John Browning, Wareham Land Trust

**Meeting Opened:** Brian Litchfield opened meeting at 6:04 pm.

**Welcome:** Committee welcomed Barbara Smith, new board member, representing the Wareham Historical Commission.

### **Project Presentations:**

**Dog Park:** Trent Blanchard described the Dog Park Study Committee, created at Fall Town Meeting, 2016 to address location, liability and funding of proposed dog park. Committee worked with T.A. Derek Sullivan to secure town owned land at 25 Maple Springs Rd. \$180,000 will be funded by the Stanton Foundation with \$20,000 (10% of total) requested from CPC (Town of Wareham) as required by the Stanton Foundation. Garry Buckminster is town employee liaison to the committee as required by Stanton.

Dog Park Committee, now established as a non-profit, is required to have funding in place and other issues resolved before final funding by Stanton.

CPC discussed budget, with excavation being highest expense, as well as maintenance, liability, appropriate signage, support of Animal Control Officer. Lower costs over all are expected. BoS and FinCom have given approval for Committee to meet with CPC.

**Town Hall Auditorium Roofing:** Dave Menard distributed balance sheet from earlier funding, with a total of \$63,444.86 to be closed and returned to CPC ( 2018 Spring Town Meeting). The total new project costs are \$120,000. A "clerk of the works" is included in the new proposal. Rubber roof will be installed. Auditorium leaks have been repaired. Derek Sullivan mentioned MA Cultural grant as a possible source of future funding for interior auditorium restoration.

**Stoney Run:** John Browning described proposed protection of 6.6 acres of Stony Run area from Wareham Crossing through Town of Wareham. The appraisal was reduced by \$34,000, (awaiting Court approval) revising the request to CPC to \$91,500. The Conant Hill Boy Scout Chapter is making their unused property available to the Land Trust. Area will open up passive recreational access for nearby residential areas. Conservation Commission, State Fish and Wildlife and the

Buzzards Bay Coalition have provided letters of support. CPC requests information on current taxes to indicate loss to Town.

**Wareham Wesley United Methodist Proposal:** Slavin re-introduced proposal for re-submission at Fall Town Meeting. Court decision re. CPA's funding of church-related proposals is still pending.

**May 24<sup>th</sup> Minutes:** Litchfield moved to accept Minutes as written, Barrett seconded. Vote: 3-0-1

**June 15<sup>th</sup> Minutes:** Slavin noted Corrections: remove "Former proposal would need to be rescinded at Town Meeting. Add "to be submitted to CPC. Dog Park larger grant request \$180,000, not \$200,000. Change "BoS approved" to "BoS signed a letter of support."

Slavin moved to accept minutes as amended. Litchfield seconded. Vote: 4-0-0.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 6:00pm

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn accepted, 7:10pm

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

*Sherbie Worthen, 8/30/17*