

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 13, 2023

Wareham Town Hall, Rm 24

Present: David Heard, Chair, Sam Corbitt, Patrick Lester, Sherbie Worthen, Clerk, Tricia Wurts, Select Board Liaison

Absent: Sandy Slavin, Treasurer, Jean Connaughton

Call to Order: Dave Heard opened meeting at 6:00pm, followed by Roll Call.

Meeting, 8/23/23: No Minutes recorded.

Heard distributed proposed (summarized) Warrant Articles and the following Motion, inserted by the Select Board at the request of the Harbormaster, to transfer \$58,750 to Harbormaster's Maintenance and Improvements Account. This request is for the principle and interest payment towards a permanent Bond used to replace the Onset Pier Floating Dock System. (This is not a CPC funded project.)

- **Article 8 - 6 Chapel Lane:** Motion to transfer \$150,000 from Community Preservation Affordable Housing Reserve Fund for a grant to 6 Chapel Lane LLC and to require an Affordable Housing restriction on the building.
Community Preservation Committee (CPC) voted 4-0-0 in favor of submitting Article for consideration at 2023 Fall town Meeting.
- **Article 9 – Mark's Cove Vista:** Motion to appropriate from Community Preservation Open Space Reserve funds the sum of \$250,000 for a grant to the Wareham Land Trust to acquire 3.58 acres of forested land and salt marsh along the shore of Cedar Creek and Marks Cove and to acquire a Conservation Restriction on the property.
CPC voted 4-0-0 in favor of submitting Article for consideration at 2023 Fall Town Meeting.
- **Article 10 – Westgate Property:** Motion to appropriate from Community Preservation Open Space Reserve funds the sum of \$26,000 for a grant to the Town of Wareham, through its Conservation Department to improve the trails and add an observation/sitting deck on the foundation of the old pump house. **CPC voted 4-0-0 in favor** of submitting Article for consideration at 2023 Fall Town Meeting.
- **Article 11 – Affordable Housing Trust:** Motion to transfer from CPC Undesignated Reserve the sum of \$150,000 for a grant to the Wareham Affordable Housing Trust, For use as that Committee may see fit. **CPC voted 3-0-1 in favor** of submitting Article for consideration at 2023 Fall Town Meeting.

Recent CPA Payments:

1. \$4,290 to Shangri-la Shores playground. **at Fall Town Meeting.** \$9,000 awaiting approval.

2. \$15,145 to Band Shell awaiting approval.
3. \$37,380 to Wareham Land Trust, Sawyer Property

Financial Report (sent by Sandy Slavin) Accountant working on finalizing.

2024 Balance over \$2 million after allocations.

Estimates - Open Space: \$500,000, Affordable Housing: \$400,000, Historic Preservation: \$700,000 Admin: \$80,000, State Match: \$530,000. Interest, \$70,000

Simplified Report: Patrick Lester noted the current Financial Report on the town website is fairly complicated and suggested developing "a more transparent financial report".

Anniversary Celebration: Sam Corbitt and Jon Day from WCTV will develop the narrative for the video of CPC highlights.

Adjournment: Unanimous vote to adjourn at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen

Sherbie Worthen 10/19/23