

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

July 22, 2015

Present: George Barrett, Angela Dunham, Brian Litchfield, Co-Chair, Bill Lockwood, Jaime Rebhan, Sandy Slavin, Co-Chair, Sherbie Worthen

Guests: Brendan Annett, Buzzards Bay Coalition, John Browning, Wareham Land Trust, Ray Edwards, Nemasket Kayak, Garry Buckminster, Harbormaster Rich Papineau, Janet and Tom Poleri, Swift's Beach residents

Onset Discovery Project Presentation: Brendan Annett described the request to purchase Wickets Island with \$400,000 from CPC, and Conservation Land on Burgess Point from other funding sources. The goal is to acquire waterfront land for conservation and public access for education, recreation and outdoor discovery. The Conservation Commission has approved the project and will hold the conservation restriction on Wickets Island. The Harbormaster and the Wareham Land Trust have sent letters of support. Brendan stressed the importance of community engagement in the project. John Browning, Garry Buckminster and Ray Edwards all voiced strong support.

Additional Fall Town Meeting Articles with Funding Source and Committee Votes:

- **6 Housing Units at Agawam Village:** request from Wareham Housing authority for \$504,000. Affordable Housing Trust supports the request. Handicapped access will be added.
Funding: Affordable Housing Reserves
Motion to approve by George Barrett, seconded by Brian Litchfield.
Vote: 7-0-0
- **Wareham Historical Society School House:** request from WHS for \$34,200
Funding: Historic Preservation Reserves
Motion to approve by Barrett, seconded by Litchfield. Vote: 5-0-0
- **Bryant Farm Walking Path:** request from Open Space Committee for \$67,000
To include walking the trail with the Land Trust, moving trail head to parking, signage, 6 car parking, one handicapped space.
Funding: Unallocated Funds
Motion to approve by Litchfield, seconded by Bill Lockwood, Vote: 7-0-0
- **Minot Dog Park:** request from Open Space Committee for \$100,000 to develop dog park on partially cleared land with 20 car parking area.
Funding: Unallocated Funds.
Motion to approve by Litchfield, seconded by Lockwood. Vote: 7-0-0
- **Swift's Beach Engineering Plan:** request from Open Space Committee for \$11,000 to plan for upgrades to protect beach and playground.
Funding: Unallocated Funds
Motion to approve by Litchfield, seconded by Lockwood. Vote: 7-0-0

- **Onset Discovery Project:** request from Buzzards Bay Coalition for \$400,000 to purchase Wicket's Island.
Funding: Unallocated Funds
Motion to approve by Dunham, seconded by Worthen. Vote 7-0-0
- **Returning Unused Funds to Account:** Slavin reported that \$30,871 from completed projects will be returned to the CPC account. Vote: 7-0-0

Swift's Beach Improvement Discussion: Mr. Papineau, Mr. and Mrs. Poleri described their concerns about moving ahead with the Swift's Beach plan. Vandalism to their homes near the beach is a serious problem including rocks thrown at elderly neighbor. All agreed the pavilion should be taken down. The full Swift's Beach Association has not yet met to discuss all the issues. Mr. Papineau would like to hold the proposal until further study. CPC suggests proposing the engineering plan in order to have funds in the pipeline.

CPC Members: the Community Preservation Act states committee will have 9 members with a quorum of 5.

Plymouth CPC Application: Dunham distributed copies of the Plymouth application to be reviewed and discussed at the 9/9/15 meeting

Minutes:

- 6/24/15: Slavin moved to re-vote the minutes due to lack of quorum 6/24 and made motion to approve, Litchfield seconded. Vote 6-0-1
- 7/8/15: Slavin moved to approve, Litchfield seconded. Vote 5-0-2

Adjournment: meeting adjourned 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen, clerk, Community Preservation Committee

Sherbie Worthen 10/20/15

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