

Community Preservation Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Held at 7:00 PM

Via Zoom Meeting

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**Meeting Minutes**

**In attendance:** H. LaCortiglia, R. Bancroft, T. Ruh, G. Fowler, S. Epstein (leaves at 7:17), P. Burns J. DiMento(arrives at 7:18) R Bancroft (leaves at 8:17pm)

**Not in attendance:**, J. Davenport, D. Schauer

**Meeting is Called to Order at 7:02pm**

* **Invoices**:
  + None
* **Correspondence:** 
  + None
* **Minutes Discussion:**
  + S. Epstein questioned the adequacy of the Agenda in general and would be leaving after Minutes Discussion as the item "Project Recommendations and Amounts Vote" should have listed the items.

S. Epstein asked that at future meeting he would like the following to be Agenda Item(s) at which the CPC discusses and perhaps acts upon four questions:

Having someone other than the chair prepare the minutes? Perhaps appoint member as clerk to do so, or pay someone?;

Having minutes once written submitted to next public meeting for correction, if any thought needed, then approval by vote?; and,

Having minutes reference url to zoom recording or GCTV recording?

* **New Business**:
  + - * Additional Project Info
      * Members are informed of information recently received related to the projects below.
        + East Main Street Recreational Facility – Cost estimate of $31,035.00
        + American Legion Park ADA – Cost estimate of $31,962.00
      * Project Withdrawal
        + Members are informed that the Invasives Mapping project has been withdrawn
    - **Project Recommendations and Amounts Vote**

Members make the following Recommendations with amounts of recommended appropriations from the Community Preservation Trust Fund

**Motion** by T. Ruh To Recommend to Town Meeting CPA Reserves for the 3 core categories of the Fund in the amount of $140,000.00 each, with an Administrative Reserve of $21,000.00.

**Seconded** by J. Dimento

*(T. Ruh shows a spreadsheet of finances and Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* R. Bancroft-yes
* P. Burns-yes
* T. Ruh-yes
* J. DiMento-yes
* G. Fowler- yes
* H. LaCortiglia-yes

**Motion Carries** 6-0 unanimously

**Motion** by J. DiMento - To Recommend to Town Meeting the American Legion Park Irrigation project with an appropriation in the amount of $ 10,600.00

**Seconded** by G. Fowler

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* R. Bancroft yes
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 6-0 unanimously

**Motion** by J. DiMento - To Recommend to Town Meeting Greenway Park Irrigation (East Main Street Recreational Area) with an appropriation in the amount of $ 31,035.00

Seconded by G. Fowler

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* R. Bancroft yes
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 6-0 unanimously

**Motion** by J. DiMento - To Recommend to Town Meeting the American Legion Park ADA project with an appropriation in the amount of $ 14,946.00

**Seconded** by Tim Ruh

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* R. Bancroft yes
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 6-0 unanimously

**Motion** by T. Ruh - To Recommend to Town Meeting the Town Hall Windows Restoration Project with an appropriation in the amount of $ 457,000.00

**Seconded** by G. Fowler

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* R. Bancroft yes
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 6-0 unanimously

(R. Bancroft leaves the meeting)

**Motion** by T. Ruh - To Recommend to Town Meeting the Records Preservation Project with an appropriation in the amount of $ 230,000.00

**Seconded** by P. Burns

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento nay
* G. Fowler nay
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 3 yes-2 nay

**Motion** by T. Ruh - To Recommend to Town Meeting the Affordable Housing Trust Block Grant with an appropriation in the amount of $ 595,000.00

**Seconded** by P. Burns

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 5-0 unanimously

**Motion** by G. Fowler - To recommend that the Town Hall Windows project appear and be voted upon at the Special Town Meeting this May.

**Seconded** by P. Burns

*(Members discuss the motion)*

* Roll call vote is taken
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 5-0 Unanimously

* **Old Business**:
  + - * Member Concerns
        + G. Fowler expresses his desire to hold the meetings in person
        + No motions are made to this effect.
* **Meeting Schedule**:
  + - * Draft Meeting Schedule.
      * April 4th, 2023 is the announced date of the Annual Public Informational Hearing. Unless the legislature acts soon to extend Remote Participation this Hearing will need to be held in person.

**Motion** by J. DiMento to adjourn

**Seconded** G. Fowler

* Roll call vote is taken
* P. Burns yes
* T. Ruh yes
* J. DiMento yes
* G. Fowler yes
* H. LaCortiglia yes

**Motion Carries** 5-0 Unanimously

**Meeting is adjourned** at 8:45PM