



# Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts

## Community Preservation Committee

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#### Minutes

Unofficial meeting—April 11, 2006

Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School Guidance Library

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#### Community Preservation Committee

**Dan Buron**  
Recreation Commission

**Peter Colombotos,**  
Vice Chair/Secretary  
Master Plan Implementation  
Committee

**Steve Elliott**  
Planning Board

**Judith Gabriel**  
Historic District Commission

**Marilee Kenney Hunt, Chair**  
Citizen at large

**Rick Kranes**  
Conservation Commission

**Max Reed**  
Capital Planning Committee

**Bob Vazza, Treasurer**  
Housing Authority

**TBD**  
Housing Partnership

#### In attendance:

—appointee from Master Plan Implementation Committee

Stephen Elliott—appointee from the Planning Board

Marilee Kenney Hunt—appointed by the Board of Selectmen

Bob Vazza—appointee from the Housing Authority

Katherine Roth—acting director of the Community Preservation Coalition

Katherine will be showing a PowerPoint presentation and then she will try to answer any questions the Committee may have.

Katherine indicated that the Commonwealth will disperse matching funds on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Local Community Preservation Funds (CPF) can earn interest.

Map of communities that have passed CPA shows strong contiguity.

The CPC must develop a submission form and a statement outlining evaluation criteria.

Marilee suggested we have Doug Dorr come to speak to the Committee to discuss with us the disbursement process.

Katherine pointed out the Committee can take either an active or passive role in coming up with spending proposals. She suggested we contact the the Department of Revenue Division of Local Service for information about administration of the CPF. She mentioned that we can use funds to commission a professional local Housing Needs Assessment and an Open Space Needs Assessment. She suggested that we maintain an ongoing comprehensive project list.

Marilee wondered whether we could appropriate funds for costs associated with a public hearing. Katherine said yes, but that it might be difficult to get them approved in time. She suggested that we approach town meeting as soon as possible to set aside the 5% that the CPA allows us to spend on Committee overhead and administration.

Marilee suggested that we make a 5-minute introductory presentation at the spring town meeting. She will work on this and remit a draft to the Committee for input. She suggested we set a placeholder for fall town meeting.

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Somebody asked about neighboring towns that have passed the CPA; perhaps we can get ideas from them. Katherine responded that Sharon, Easton, Wareham and Plymouth have pretty effective Community Preservation Committees.

Katherine emphasized that CP funds can not be used to supplant expenditures already being made.

Marilee mentioned that she has not heard from the Housing Partnership regarding its appointment of a representative to the Committee. Pete has emailed Bill Smith, chair of the Historic District Commission and not yet heard back.

The next meeting will on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the B-R Guidance library.