



Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts

Community Preservation Committee

Meeting Minutes – September 20, 2007

Location – Senior Center
Recorded by: Laurie Miller

Community Preservation Committee

Dan Buron
Recreation Commission

Peter Colombotos,
Vice Chair/Secretary
Master Plan Implementation
Committee

Robert Iafrate
Planning Board

Marilee Kenney Hunt, Chair
Citizen at large

Rick Kranes
Conservation Commission

David Moore
Housing Partnership

(Open)
Capital Planning Committee

Bob Vazza, Treasurer
Housing Authority

Robert Wood
Historical Commission

Members Present:

Dan Buron [], Peter Colombotos [x], Robert Iafrate [], Rick Kranes [],
Marilee Kenney Hunt [x], David Moore [x] (Capital Planning Rep.) [],
Bob Vazza [x], Robert Wood [x]

Guests:

Donna Chaffee (United Methodist Church)
Gloria Wilcox (United Methodist Church)
Kathy Burroughs (United Methodist Church)
Peter Northrup (United Methodist Church)
Darrol Cox (United Methodist Church)
Allen Norten(?) (United Methodist Church)

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

* A motion was made by Bob Wood, seconded by Bob Vazza to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2007 and the August 29, 2007 meetings with no changes. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

There is currently a fund balance of \$1,126,173.97 through September 7th and includes August interest of \$3,104.00.

Bob passed out the year-end revenue accounting and the projection for Fiscal year '08 and went over the numbers in detail as provided to him by the Town Accountant.

The Committee signed off on the numbers per Bob's recommendation.

*A motion was made by Peter Colombotos, seconded by Bob Wood to accept the Treasurer's report and sign off on the end of year accounting/revenue projections provided by the Town Accountant. Unanimously approved.

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Report on Hanson Town Meeting:

Marilee reported that she attended the Hanson Town meeting and was very glad she did. She was interviewed and hopefully will get some press for the upcoming Open Space meeting we are hosting. She co-presented with the CPC chair from Norwell, which was one of the first towns to pass the Act and got some really great information. The CP coalition (Liz Gimson) was also in attendance. Hanson is looking to pass the CPA this year and hopefully representatives from Hanson will also attend our forum.

Report on Preservation Restrictions for “private” grantees

Several members of the Scotland Trinitarian Church were in attendance to ask questions regarding the restrictions on the Church. The Committee answered them as best as it could and referred them back to Mel Cohen or to possibly contact Steve Elliott who may be able to provide *pro bono* legal work for them. Their concerns mainly surrounded the interior of the building changes and the restrictions to the outside and what would happen if they ever had to sell the building. David Moore and Bob Wood offered their services to attend a meeting at the Church to help with any questions that the congregation may have. Peter directed them to the Community Preservation website for additional support.

RFQ for the 4 Building Study

47 bidders picked up the RFQ package. The Committee is very pleased with the response and is looking forward to the bidders conference immediately following this meeting.

CPA Liason position

No update at this point.

Open Space Meeting of September 27th

Peter had a conference call with the consultant, Jen Goldson, and Robb Johnson from the Nature Conservancy. Plans were laid out for the presentation at the Open Space forum. Marilee will give a brief introduction. Each of the parties has a role and Pete reported that he is very pleased with the way he foresees it falling into place.

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Pete is going to try and hand out flyers at Roche Bros. to generate more interest. Cable 9 is running an announcement on the bulletin board and there will be some coverage that night as it will be telecast.

The Committee agreed to hold off on ordering food and drink until we see the amount of people and we can always run out at that point to provide some sort of refreshment afterward.

Community Meeting for '07

The CPC is required to hold a community meeting/year and the Committee this year opted to consider our Open Space Meeting as being in compliance with that regulation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM and the Bidders Conference immediately followed.

The next CPC meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2007 Meeting location will be confirmed at a later date when we determine whether the Senior Center will be available.