

Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts

Community Preservation Committee

Meeting Minutes July 22nd, 2020



Community Preservation Committee

Gina Guasconi, Chair
Recreation Commission

Carlton Hunt, Vice-Chair
Citizen at Large

Kevin Mandeville
Open Space Committee

Joan Neumeister
Housing Authority

Jean Guarino
Planning Board

Harry Bailey, Jr.
Conservation Commission

Stephen Rogan
Historical Commission

William Smith
Historic District Commission

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Affordable Housing Trust

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Joshua McGraw
Staff Assistant

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:03PM

Members Present: Gina Guasconi, Jean Guarino, Carlton Hunt, Harry Bailey, William Smith, Kevin Mandeville (Arrived 6:18, left at 8:30)

Members Absent: Steven Rogan, Joan Neumeister

Guests Present: Anthony Sulmonte – Finance Director, Laurie Guerrini – Finance Department, Anna Callahan, Jennifer Burke – CED Director, James Walsh, Barbara Morey, Terry Reynolds, Rachel Lawson, Eileen Hiney, Gordon Brielisford

Call to order – 6:03PM

Public Comments – No public comment.

Approval of minutes – May 27th, 2020 & June 24th, 2020

Carlton Hunt motioned to approve the minutes from May 27th, 2020, William Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Carlton Hunt motioned to approve the minutes from June 24th, 2020 as amended, William Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Carlton Hunt motioned to amend the minutes to have Rachel Lawson, Gloria Weinrebe, and Gordon Brielisford added to the June 24th meeting minutes, Harry Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Financial Update

No changes to the financials for the CPC at this time. The tax revenue is expected to be presented at the next meeting to the committee.

Congregational Church Application – Discussion and Vote

Application Analysis Discussion and Vote

The committee reviewed and discussed the comments and questions gathered by Anna Callahan from individual CPC members. Discussion centered around if the funding could be considered aid outside of historical preservation.

William Smith motioned to recommend the application as eligible for CPC funding, Carlton Hunt seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

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Funding Eligibility Discussion and Vote

Representatives from the church answered questions from the committee on specific funding on the project. The committee has asked that the church submit a priority list to the CPC detailing work and a breakdown per segment, ie. steeple, roof, doors/windows, they want funded if their application is approved.

The committee will look to review the new breakdown from the church before voting on the funding.

Jean motioned to continue discussion on the application and discuss again on August 12th at 6PM, Carlton Hunt seconded. The motion was approved unanimously

Process Update

Jennifer Burke is still working on the process update and will look to provide the draft to the committee by the next regularly scheduled meeting.

FY21 Discussion for Consultant Work

There has been discussion between Anna Callahan, Jennifer Burke, and Gina Guasconi on the scope of work for JM Goldson moving forward. Gina has asked for a reference list on what work would be within the scope for JM Goldson. Anna Callahan has asked that the committee also prioritize the jobs the CPC would like her to participate in.

Old Business

Barstow House

James Walsh has reached out to the realtor that is working on the sale of the house. The two options being presented for the sale are under 40b housing or assisted living housing.

Alden House

Historic New England, Anna Callahan, Gina Guasconi met with the owners of the Alden House. Follow-up information pertaining to the discussion was sent, however, the owners have yet to respond.

Housing Trust

Carlton Hunt motioned to take discussion of the Housing Trust out of order; Jean Guarino seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

There are no updates to the housing trust at this time.

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New Business

Carlton Hunt motioned to continue discussion on remaining items at the next regularly scheduled meeting. William Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Carlton Hunt motioned to adjourn at 8:35PM, William Smith seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjourn – 8:35PM