

## **Community Preservation Committee Meeting of May 9, 2007**

PLACE: Town Hall Banquet Room

6:39 P.M. Call to order by Chairman Lucas

### **A. Quorum/Attendance**

Members Not Present: Terrence Meredith

Planning Director William Roth was also in attendance.

### **B. Welcome New Members**

- Jay S. Simmons
- Ellsworth Sylvaria
- Carol Tyson

### **C. Review May, 2007 Town Meeting Vote**

Chairman Lucas – As you know, some of the articles were not added to the Special Town Meeting. However, as luck would have it, there is another Special Town Meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> and we are on that warrant. If all goes well, it will be approved at that time. We should all be there in case it is a close vote to approve the requests that we recommended this year.

### **D. Review/Discuss Approval Letters**

Chairman Lucas – These are letters to the applicants to inform them of our vote and how to proceed.

William Roth - These are award letters. I have suggested they put a sign up stating that the project was funded by the CPA, a minimum two by four sign with white lettering on a red background for a specific time, which will vary as to each project with a time limit varying as to each project.

Marinus Vander motioned that all projects place a two by four sign with white lettering on a red background stating that the project was funded, in part, by the CPA on all project sites. Jay Simmons seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

William Markey – What is the cost of the sign?

William Roth – Maybe \$100 to \$150.

William Markey – Putting up a sign is good for us because it shows where the money went.

- Discussion ensued regarding the draft letters to Town Hall and the Rogers Park projects.

Marinus Vander Pol motioned to send the approval letters as amended. William Markey seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

### **E. Discuss Work on 2008 CPC Plan**

Chairman Lucas – Every year, we have to update the plan.

William Roth – I would like to get a jump on this. We have to revise and update the plan as to the law. I can take a look at the 2007 plan and as to what worked and what didn't work and make the appropriate changes. Then, I will route it all represented boards sometime in June, give it a month, and we should meet in July and tighten it up for an August Public Hearing and get it on line in September for a mid to late November application period. We're not re-inventing the wheel. We're just going to tweak it.

#### **F. Any Other Business -**

Frank Rezendes – Do you anticipate any serious projects coming out of any town boards?

Chairman Lucas – There's been interest from the Recreation/Senior Center.

William Roth – Any group or non-profit can apply.

Jay Simmons – We were formed at Town Meeting. When do we expire?

William Roth – We don't expire. After five years, Town Meeting could vote to put a ballot question at the next election to vote the CPA out.

Chairman Lucas – Should we pay the \$750.00 to join the state CPA Coalition? I am in favor of joining to protect the Act itself and how it is written.

Jay Simmons – What are the benefits?

Mr. Roth read a list of benefits.

Jay Simmons – Does everyone pay \$750.00?

William Roth – It is a graduated scale.

Marinus Vander Pol – I think it's rather steep.

Jay Simmons – I'm inclined to try it for a year.

Chairman Lucas – We have three members that haven't seen this. We should get them a copy of this to review and vote at the next meeting.

Frank Rezendes – I agree with Mr. Vander Pol that it's over priced. It see this as lobbyists' payroll.

#### **G. Set Next Meeting**

The next meetings were set for July 11, 2007 and August 8, 2007.

William Markey motioned to adjourn. Ellsworth Sylvaria seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Pelland,  
Secretary, Community Preservation Committee