Groton Community Preservation Committee

Minutes of Regular Meeting of 21 November 2005

Location: Groton Town Hall, First Floor Meeting Room

Time: 7:30 PM

Members Present: Robert DeGroot, Bruce H. Easom (Secretary), Dan Emerson, Rick Hughson and Mike Roberts (Chair)

Members Absent: James Cantrill and Carolyn Perkins (Vice Chair)

Attendees: None

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM.

The Committee reviewed the draft meeting minutes from 17 October 2005. Mike Roberts moved to accept the meeting minutes as drafted. Robert DeGroot seconded the motion. The motion was carried by unanimous vote with Bruce H. Easom abstaining.

The Committee reviewed the draft meeting minutes of 5 November 2005. Bruce H. Easom moved to accept the minutes of the 5 November 2005 meeting as drafted. Robert DeGroot seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote with Bruce H. Easom abstaining.

Mike Roberts reported on the progress of House Bill 1680 that would allow the use of CPA historic funds to be used for document preservation.

Mike Roberts reviewed committee correspondence. The Recreation Committee reported asking Lisa Judge to get three current estimates for replacement of the docks at Sargesson Beach.

The Committee reviewed drafts of contracts for the Conservation Commission, Recreation Committee, Historical Commission and the Friends of Fitch’s Bridge.

Rick Hughson described his conversation with the Bedford Community Preservation Committee about their “ECHO” housing program. The program gives $50,000 to seniors in exchange for establishing deed restrictions on their properties.

Dan Emerson volunteered to research efforts made in other towns to set up community housing programs.
The Committee discussed Mike Roberts’ tendered resignation. After some discussion and encouragement from the Committee to continue as Chairman, Mike Roberts withdrew his tendered resignation.

The Committee agreed that its next meeting would be on Monday 5 December 2005.

Robert DeGroot moved to adjourn the meeting. Rick Hughson seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bruce H. Easom Date

Secretary
Groton Community Preservation Committee

These minutes were approved as drafted by unanimous vote on 9 January 2006. Bruce H. Easom abstained.