

Groton Community Preservation Committee Minutes of Public Meeting of August 17, 2010

Location: Town Hall
Time: 7:30 PM
Members Present: Bruce Easom, Carolyn Perkins (Chair), Mike Roberts, Dan Emerson, Jon Strauss (Vice-Chair)
Members Absent Robert DeGroot (Secretary)

Public Meeting

1. Action Items

Mr. Easom:

- CP-3 form.

Mr. Strauss:

- Management Plan for the Parks Application

Ms. Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:35

2. Warrant

Warrant Article #1 - Budget

Mr. Easom submitted examples of two different possible warrant submissions. Mr. Easom reviewed the examples with the Committee. The following vote was taken.

Mr. Roberts moved to accept example #2. Mr. Strauss seconded, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

To see if the Town will vote to make the following appropriations from the Community Preservation Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

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| CPC Operating Expenses: | \$ 10,000 |
| Open Space Reserve: | \$ 20,000 |
| Historic Resource Reserve: | \$ 20,000 |
| Community Housing Reserve: | \$ 20,000 |
| Unallocated Reserve | \$130,000 |

Summary: This is an accounting procedure that is necessary to ensure the Community Preservation Committee will have access to the funds raised during FY11. Except for CPC operating Expenses, none of these funds will be spent without additional approval of Town Meeting.

Warrant Article #2 – Place Holder for Millstone Property

Expectations for a revised Management plan were reviewed with Mr. Strauss. . This management plan would outline the sequence of events along with the responsible party and estimated dates of completion. After various obstacles pertaining to this property were discussed, the conversation turned to whether or not we should vote on the project or the place holder. The decision was made to vote on the place holder, so Mr. Easom created the following draft and a vote was taken.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt and approve the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2011, and vote to implement such recommendations by appropriating the following sum from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the General Laws. CPC Proposal A: Millstone Field Project: \$20,000 or take any action thereon.

Summary: The Groton Parks Commission has requested funds to prepare a Division of Conservation Services PARC grant application and a property appraisal to acquire a 15.5 acre parcel (more or less) on Cow Pond Brook Road adjacent to the Groton Highway Garage for the purposes of creating multi-use playing fields.

Mr. Roberts moved to accept Mr. Easom’s draft article to be used as a place holder. Mr. Strauss seconded and the vote was unanimous in favor.

3. Minutes

Mr. Easom moved to accept minutes of August 3, 2010 as drafted. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion passed by majority vote with all in favor with the exception of Mr. Strauss who abstained.

4. Invoices & Misc. Documents

The following invoices were signed by the Committee:

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| Inv. #42 | Sargent Electric LLC | \$227.83 | Field of Dreams |
| Inv. #40 | Sargent Electric LLC | \$800.00 | Field of Dreams |
| Inv. #S2419343.001 | Gettens Electric Supply | \$826.25 | Field of Dreams |
| Inv. #S2417205.001 | Gettens Electric Supply | \$623.51 | Field of Dreams |
| | Verizon | \$ 16.36 | |

An interfund transfer authorization for secretarial services for FY2011 was signed in the amount of \$7,000. An estimate from Sargent Electric to extend conduits at the Field of Dreams site was reviewed.

5. New Business

Ms. Perkins read a letter received from Don Kinney, Interim Building Commissioner. The letter was regarding parking spaces for access to the handicap ramp at the Groton Grange. Mr. Kinney supplied handicap parking regulations to keep on file.

Valerie Jenkins, Town Accountant supplied copies of the CP-1 and CP-2 forms that she has submitted. Mr. Easom volunteered to submit the CP-3 which is the final funding report that needs to be submitted to the Division of Local Services.

Mr. Roberts gave a brief review of the Community-Wide Archaeological Reconnaissance Survey draft report that was completed. The draft was distributed to the Committee members for review.

6. Closing

The next meeting will be Tuesday September 7, 2010

Mr. Easom moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Roberts seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Kathy Miller