



TOWN OF GROTON

173 Main Street
Groton, MA 01450

Community Preservation Committee

Russell Burke, Chair - Planning Board
Bruce Easom - Conservation Comm.
Daniel Emerson - Housing Auth.
Gineane Haberlin - Park Comm.
Robert DeGroot – Historical Comm.
Richard Hewitt - at large
Michael Roberts - at large

MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, May 9, 2016
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: 2nd Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall
Members Present: Russell Burke, Dan Emerson, Richard Hewitt, Robert DeGroot, Mike Roberts, Daniel Emerson, Gineane Haberlin
Absent Members: Bruce Easom
Others Present: Robin Eibye

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Russell Burke promptly at 7:00 p.m.

WILLIAMS BARN DISCUSSION

Leo Wyatt introduced himself along with Kathy Stone. Mr. Wyatt stated that a five-foot section of the Williams Barn's forty-foot foundation, which is 176 years old, had collapsed.

Mr. Wyatt stated that the DPW Director, Tom Delaney is waiting for the Town Engineer's official report. Mr. Wyatt requested CPC funds to repair the building. Mr. Roberts asked if it's known what caused the collapse. Mr. Wyatt noted that it's probably due to age. Mr. Burke asked if there was any structural compromise to the building. Mr. Wyatt replied and stated that there's no structural compromise to the building.

Mr. Burke asked Mr. Wyatt if he had an idea of expected costs involved with repairing the foundation. Mr. Wyatt said he expected the project costs would not exceed \$25,000. Mr. Burke explained that the next step would be to fill out a pre-application, the Board would provide feedback and then a formal application could be submitted. Mr. Hewitt noted that letters of support would be helpful in supporting the application's approval.

Mr. Wyatt confirmed that the project would be to replace the entire forty-foot wall.

A brief discussion ensued about "out of cycle" applications and whether or not the project could wait until next year. The Board recommended an engineering evaluation be completed to determine if repairs could wait given the occasional large gatherings that take place in the barn and, depending on the evaluation results, determine if an out of cycle application would be warranted.

INVOICE REVIEW

Pending invoices for the Country Club Driving Range were reviewed. Shawn Campbell introduced himself and stated the driving range netting had been installed. Mr. Campbell explained that the invoices submitted have been paid through the Country Club's budget; however, he would like to use the remaining CPC funds that were approved for the Driving Range project.

Mr. Burke said he was concerned whether or not the tee boxes were included in the original warrant. Mr. Campbell read the original warrant and it was decided that the invoices should be paid with the remaining Driving Range CPC funds.

Ms. Haberlin moved to approve the two Country Club Driving Range invoices totaling 2,826.00. Mr. Hewitt seconded and the motion carried 6:0 (Bruce Easom, absent).

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Board welcomed Gineane Haberlin back to the committee. Ms. Haberlin noted that Matthew Frary has resigned at Park Commissioner.

A discussion ensued about Town Meeting. Mr. Burke confirmed that Ms. Haberlin will present the Middle School Track project at Town Meeting on May 23, 2016.

A brief discussion ensued about the CPC's responsibilities.

MINUTES

Draft minutes from April 11, 2016, were reviewed.

Mr. Emerson moved to accept the April 25, 2016, minutes as written. Mr. Roberts seconded and the motion carried 5:0 (Gineane Haberlin, abstained; Bruce Easom, absent).

Mr. Emerson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Ms. Haberlin seconded and the motion carried 5:0 (Bruce Easom, absent).

Respectfully submitted by Robin Eibye, Executive Assistant

APPROVED: JULY 25, 2016
