

Amended - CPC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 12, 2019
Scituate Public Safety Building

ATTENDEES: Suzanne Brennan (late arrival), Skyler Chick, Karen Connolly, Tammy Durante, Dan Fennelly, Gary Meyerson (Chair), Penny Scott Pipes; Doug Smith (*Absent: Ann Burbine*)

Additional Attendees: Tony Vegnani, Jim Boudreau, Steve Irish, Steve Litchfield, Mary Porter, Lorraine Devin, Kevin Devin, Ed Fiddler, Bill Luetete, Maura Glancy, Sean O'Connell/Activas

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm

The agenda was accepted by unanimous vote

DISCUSSIONS

1. Discussion/Vote: Cole Parkway Project - \$81,000

Discussion: Ms. Devin informed the Board that she has answers to three questions that were raised at the hearing:

- a) She does not need to appear before the Planning Board for this project
- b) Architectural asphalt shingles will be used on the bandstand roof
- c) After this year, the Harbormaster will not need to put the docks on Cole Parkway

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$81,000 for the Cole Parkway Project with funds to come from Undesignated Reserves; Seconded by Ms. Scott Pipes; **All in favor (7-0)**

2. Discussion/Possible Vote: Maxwell Trust Land Purchase Rescission

Mr. Meyerson informed the Board that the discussion/vote has been tabled until the next meeting.

3. Discussion/Vote: North River Shipyard Marker Restoration Project - \$4,400

Discussion: Ms. Connolly asked about the timeline for completion because the Tercentenary Markers are still not complete; Mr. Litchfield hopes to have them done over the summer. She also confirmed that the signs will be restored not replicated.

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$4,400 for the North River Shipyard Marker Restoration Project with funds to come from Historic Reserves; Seconded by Mr. Chick; **All in favor (8-0)**

4. Discussion/Vote: Mass. Humane Society Boathouse Restoration - \$17,500

Discussion: Ms. Porter confirmed that the funding request is for the whole roof.

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$17,500 for the Boathouse Restoration Project with funds to come from Historic Reserves; Seconded by Ms. Scott Pipes; **All in favor (8-0)**

5. Stockbridge Grist Mill Grain Chest & Various Documents Restoration/ Preservation - \$30,500

Discussion: Mr. Meyerson asked if they will be putting a conservation restriction on the Grain Chest; Mr. Smith said that they will need to review CR's for many of the items; there was additional discussion about insurance values.

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$30,500 for the Stockbridge Grist Mill Grain Chest & Various Documents Restoration and Preservation Project with funds to come from Historic Reserves; Seconded by Ms. Scott Pipes; **All in favor (8-0)**

6. **Discussion/Vote: Affordable Housing Trust funding Affordable Housing Trust - \$100,000**

Discussion: There was a brief discussion about the AHT lot to be developed.

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$100,000 for the Affordable Housing Trust with funds to come from Community Housing Reserves; Seconded by Ms. Durante; **All in favor (8-0)**

7. **Discussion/Vote: Athletic Fields Restoration/Renovation – \$8,300,000**

Discussion: Mr. Meyerson reminded the Board that the \$413,000 that was previously awarded for design and engineering is not reflected in this amount.

There was a discussion about the items considered ineligible that were removed (\$418,000) and whether or not they should have been left in. Mr. Meyerson said that, in his view, anything that is in the “gray area” should be removed. He is confident that the applicants can find funding for those items somewhere else. There was an additional discussion about whether or not they should remove the contingencies associated with those items; Ms. Scott Pipes said she would prefer to leave the \$418,000 in the funding request; the money can always come back. The Board reviewed some of these items, i.e. the ticket booth, and discussed the risk in leaving them in. Mr. Smith said that leaving them in may jeopardize the entire project or put it on hold. Ms. Durante added that it shows the Town that they have done due diligence by removing any questionable items. Ms. Connolly said that they are allowed to restore an existing recreational facility with structures like the press box and ticket booth. She is more concerned about the project being put on hold for one item that may be challenged and would like to have that addressed by Town Counsel.

Funding options for Athletic Field Project

The Board discussed two scenarios for financing:

- a) \$5.1 cash; 3.2 debt financing
- b) \$5.4 cash; 2.9 debt financing

Mr. Meyerson polled the Board to determine which scenario was preferred by the majority: Mr. Smith/B; Ms. Durante/B; Ms. Scott Pipes/B; Ms. Connolly/B; Ms. Brennan/B; Mr. Fennelly/B; Mr. Meyerson/B; Mr. Chick/B.

Vote: A MOTION was made by Ms. Connolly to recommend to Town Meeting an expenditure of \$8,300,000 for the Athletic Fields Restoration Project with \$5.4M coming from Undesignated funds and \$2.9M in debt financing; Seconded by Mr. Fennelly; **All in favor (8-0)**

Advisory Book Project Write-up Assignments:

- Historic (3) – Doug Smith
- Affordable Housing (1) – Tammy Durante
- Athletic Fields (1) – Dan Fennelly
- Cole Parkway (1) – Skyler Chick

Old/New business – there was no old or new business

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 9 pm.

Submitted by:

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