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GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE**

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Members:

Travis Drury (Chair)
Garth Shaneyfelt (Vice-chair)
Wisty Rorabacher
John Passiglia
Susan Worgaftik
Yanis Chibani
Donna DuSell
Thomas Guerino
Dave Chichester

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (CPC)
Thursday, March 23, 2023 5:30pm
City Hall Meeting Room, 14 Court Square & Zoom (hybrid)**

MEETING MINUTES

Members present:

Travis Drury (Conservation Commission)
Garth Shaneyfelt (at Large)
Wisty Rorabacher (at Large)
Dave Chichester (Planning Board)
Susan Worgaftik (at Large)
John Passiglia (Historical Commission)
Yanis Chibani (at Large)
Tom Guerino (Greenfield Housing)
Donna DuSell (Recreation Commission) (arrived at 6:20pm)

Members absent:

None

Also present:

Christian LaPlante, Staff Contact
Members of the public

Travis called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

- 1) March 9 minutes approved: Yanis motion, Tom 2nd. All in favor (Donna not present)
- 2) Public comment:
 1. Kim Boas (of trail repair project) notes that project is 1st step of Highland Park rehab
 2. Mike Nelson (of FCAS roof project) updates with repair rubber membrane vs. metal roof replaces (40-50yrs) makes cost go up to \$96k, but found \$10k of grants plus other donations so total ask is now \$75k.
 3. Alyssa of FCRHA (and housing project) notes that homeless numbers continue to grow.
- 3) Project Updates:
 1. Bikeway study: Deerfield request reduced to \$20k (vs 30), but FRCOG says they could do a limited scope study for \$40 vs \$50k. Also clarified where the path would be.
 2. FCAS request reduced to \$75k TBD red standing seam roof (checking with State Historic) vs. same rustable stuff that is there now.
 3. Yanis to resign 6/1/23. Any other mayoral appointments? Feel free to suggest (and send interest to mayor@greenfield-ma.gov)
- 4) Project recommendations: review of committee member allocations per project. Where we agree and disagree...
 1. ADA track: Garth motion/ Susan 2nd. \$750 recreation allocation. Unanimous YES
 2. Historic Documents: Susan motion/Yanis 2nd: \$15,500 historic allocation (Gfld Historic Commission approved) Unanimous YES.
 3. Highland Park Drinking fountain. NO Funding John motion/Tom 2nd. Unanimous Yes.
 4. MOIH machine repair: Wisty motion/Dave 2nd \$1000 from historic allocation. Unanimous YES.
 5. Boas Trail Repair: Wisty Motion/Dave 2nd. \$15,000 from

- recreation allocation. Unanimous YES.
6. CSO Housing: discussion of how much vs. whole expensive project cost. Noted that housing prime directive of our Plan. Major funders want to see “appropriate” commitment from community. \$47,523.69 from Housing (all) and \$52,476.31 Flexible (remains) for a total of \$100,000 Dave motion/Tom 2nd. All YES. Susan abstain (also recused from discussion).
 7. Highland Pond aerator: NO Funding Garth Motion/John 2nd. Noted that more work/study/plan needed. VOTE to DENY unanimous YES.
 8. Shattuck fitness cluster: \$24k Funding from recreation Garth motion/Susan 2nd. Garth, John, Susan, Yanis, Donna, Dave, Travis YES; Tom, Wisty NO.
 9. Highland Park trails and signage: noted pending Capital funding. Too expensive? Maybe capital will fund if we fund Beacon? NO Funding motion John/Susan 2nd. All Y, Garth N.
 10. Pickleball courts at Abercrombie: much discussion of other funding & lack of leveraged funds, is that even a good location?, could we get it started with some funds (site prep/study)?
 1. Motion for NO FUNDING John, 2nd Dave.
 2. Friendly amendment to make it \$50k to start project. Passes 6 (Tom, Wisty, Susan, Yanis, Donna, Dave) to 3 (Garth, Travis, John).
 3. Vote on amended motion passes 7 (Travis, Tom, Wisty, Susan, Yanis, Donna, Dave) to 2 (Garth, John).
 11. Deerfield Bikeway study: concerns raised about “just another study”
 1. \$20k Dave motion, Susan 2nd.
 2. Friendly amendment to make it contingent on Deefield CPA \$20k Travis/Susan 2nd passes 7 (Travis, Wisty, Susan, Yanis, Donna, Dave, Garth) to 2 (Tom, John).
 3. Vote for funding FAILS 7 (Donna, Garth, Tom, Wisty,

- John, Susan, Travis) to 2 (Yanis, Dave)
12. Fairground Barn repairs: Motion to fully fund (\$75k) Wisty, Dave 2nd. Discussion that perhaps we could give less \$\$? Had good community support, registered historic. Should other towns help with "FC" fairgrounds? John recused from discussion.
 1. Motion to amend to \$31,023.69 (remains of historic allocation) 5Y (Garth, Tom, Donna, Susan, Yanis) 3N (Wisty, Travis, Dave) 1A (John) PASSES
 2. Vote on amended motion PASSES unanimous (with John abstaining).
 13. Beacon Park ADA and Bocce project: discussion re: capital has given \$50k so far, will they fund the rest? Good location. Need it to be Rec dept spot (currently just city lot).
 1. Motion to fund at \$75,500 Susan, Tom 2nd.
 2. Amendment to make contingent on lot being deeded to Recreation ownership. PASSES unanimously.
 3. Amended motion passes 7 (Tom, Wisty, Susan, Dave, Donna, Travis, John) to 2 (Garth, Yanis)
 14. Site Amenities: people are tired, but psyched to be at the end of the list with a little money left over. Discussion that site amenities are very scalable: \$5k here, \$5k there....pretty soon it's real money (and amenities)!
 1. Motion to fund with remaining funds (\$22, 226.31)
 2. Amendment for ONLY on recreation controlled city land. Travis motion, John 2nd. Passes unanimously.
 3. Amended motion PASSES unanimously

General thank you to Christian for his amazing work and support during this process. And hooray to all members to sticking it out thru 1st year of CPA funding!

Adjourned 7:35pm.

