

Community Preservation Committee

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**Director of Community
Planning and Economic
Development**

Paul Halkiotis, AICP

Assistant Planner

Patrick Deschenes

Community Preservation Committee Meeting

2/27/2019

5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Room 12

Norwood Town Hall

PRESENT:

John Aprea
Helen Abdallah Donohue
Cheryl Doyle
Joe Greeley
Patricia Griffin Starr
John Hall
Debbie Holmwood
Peter McFarland

Also Present:

Patrick Deschenes, Assistant Town Planner
Paul Halkiotis, Town Planner

ABSENT:

Approval of Minutes 2/6/19 & 2/13/19

MOTION to accept minutes from 2/6/19 by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. McFarland

All in favor.

MOTION to accept minutes from 2/13/19 by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. McFarland

All in favor.

CPA Project Applications: Review & Grading

At the start of the meeting Committee members gave their project grading sheets over to Mr. Deschenes for calculating final grades.

The Committee discussed each project by going around the table and having each member discuss their opinion of the specific project and the reasoning for the score they gave it.

The first project discussed was the Lower Pond Pavilion which was submitted by the Conservation Commission.

Ms. Ramanda Morgan, Conservation Commission Secretary was present to discuss the project and present a new rendering of the pavilion and accompanying walkway.

The Committee discussed the project in detail and ultimately reached a cumulative score of an 80.

The next project discussed by the Committee was the Lower Balch reconstruction.

Ms. Holmwood started her concern with this project in terms of usability and the high cost of the ADA ramp.

Mr. McFarland, Ms. Doyle, and Ms. Donohue all stated their total support for the project and its potential impact on the area.

Mr. Aprea expressed some concerns with the given cost of the project.

Mr. Deschenes stated that the applicant had recently provided a revised cost estimate to include the proper contingencies.

The Committee favored the project and gave a cumulative score of a 77.

The Bond Street Playground ADA poured rubber surface improvements received the highest scores from the Committee. The project ended up with a cumulative score of an 81.

The Committee then discussed the Carillon restoration project which received the final score of 77.

Both Mr. Greeley and Ms. Griffin Starr scored this project lower as there were concerns about getting a more defined quote.

Ms. Griffin Starr left the meeting at this time for another appointment.

Mr. Halkiotis presented an update to the trail design project. Mr. Halkiotis stated that the costs of the study came in far higher than he felt comfortable asking the Committee for. Mr. Halkiotis also stated that he discussed the project and quotes with Mark Ryan, Town Engineer. They both concluded that a large portion of the project steps could be done in house and that they would be able to work on the small Saint Lot trail design project first before doing the University Avenue project.

Mr. McFarland stated that he would like to continue with at least one project, preferable the University Ave. location.

Ms. Doyle felt the same way, but for the Saint Lot trail design project.

Mr. Greeley discussed the process the Walpole Trails Committee had taken to designing trails.

Public Hearing Discussion

Mr. Greeley stated that with the public hearing scheduled for 3/13/19 it would be a good idea for the public outreach subcommittee to get together and discuss any additional measures to take for the meeting.

Mr. Greeley, Mr. Hall, and Ms. Doyle all volunteered for the subcommittee.

Financial Review

Mr. Deschenes discussed the current balance of CPA funds. Mr. Deschenes stated that the issue with the CPA accounts which Mr. Greeley brought up to the accounting department had not yet been corrected. Mr. Deschenes stated that they would need to correct this issue as soon as possible in order to write the articles for Town Meeting.

Mr. Greeley stated that he would again be contacting the appropriate parties at Town Hall in order to amend the situation.

Executive Session

MOTION to go into executive session to discuss the Saint Lot purchase at 84 Morse Street and to come out of executive session only to adjourn the meeting by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Ms. Doyle.

All in Favor.

Rollcall is taken and all present members of the Community Preservation Committee are accounted for.

All outside parties leave except CPC members and staff. Executive session takes place.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Mr. Hall.

All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:
Patrick Deschenes, Assistant Town Planner