

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

4/10/2019

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

Room 12

Norwood Town Hall

PRESENT:

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

Also Present:

Patrick Deschenes, Assistant Town Planner

ABSENT: Paul Halkiotis, Town Planner

Patricia Griffin Starr

Approval of Minutes 3/27/19

MOTION to accept minutes with the noted amendments from 3/27/19 by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Ms. Doyle.

All in favor.

Set Meetings for Spring/Summer

Mr. Deschenes presented his memorandum of proposed future meeting dates for the Community Preservation Committee.

Mr. Greeley stated that they should post meetings for Town Meeting days as there would be a quorum of members there.

Mr. Hall stated that reorganization of the Committee should occur at their June meeting. The Committee agreed to future meeting dates of 5/8/19, 6/12/19, 7/10/19, and 8/14/19

Annual Town Meeting Discussion

The subcommittee of Mr. Greeley, Mr. Hall, and Ms. Doyle discussed the presentation that they created for the Annual Town Meeting.

Mr. Greeley stated that they wished to have the first 10 pages of the presentation mailed out to Town Meeting members before Town Meeting.

Mr. Deschenes stated that he would talk to the Town Clerk about distributing the document if possible.

Ms. Doyle stated that the subcommittee tried to make a concise single presentation other than multiple presentations for each project in order to move the presentation along quicker.

Mr. McFarland stated that printing all 22 slides as a handout might be a little too overwhelming.

Ms. Doyle stated that only the first 10 pages of the presentation will be printed for the handout.

Mr. Hall stated that the subcommittee felt this would be the best way to get the information to the public and for the public to process it.

Mr. Greeley stated that project applicants will also be available to answer project specific questions.

Financial Review

Mr. Greeley provided a breakdown of feedback he received from the Community Preservation Coalition on questions the Committee had asked the previous meeting.

The Committee discussed these responses; in particular whether Town Meeting members can make amendments to project funding.

Mr. Greeley provided a breakdown of a recent budget analysis that was done by Mr. McQuaid, Town Accountant. Mr. Greeley noted that the state match was included in Mr. McQuaid's analysis which the Committee has not taken into account earlier.

Ms. Donohue asked for an update on the Saint Lot purchase.

Mr. Deschenes provided a brief status update on the potential land purchase.

Mr. Deschenes stated that the seller still wishes to sell the property to the Town, but they would like to wait until the fall. The reason being that they felt they would be too rushed to properly sell the land in May.

The Committee discussed the potential of having the project brought back as an article for the fall Special Town Meeting.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Doyle, seconded by Mr. McFarland.

All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patrick Deschenes, Assistant Town Planner