Dunstable Community Preservation Committee (CPC) Meeting – 10 April 2005 (DRAFT)

CPC Members	Present
Sue Psaledakis – Chair	Yes
George Basbanes - Vice Chair	Yes
Wes Goss – Treasurer	Yes
Mike Wurm - Clerk	No
Leah Basbanes	Yes
Kevin Welch	Yes
Rob Busser	Yes
Dave Nicholson	No
Joe Dean	Yes

It was noted that the town needs to approve the funding for the allocation of 5% of the local sir charge for administrative expenses. Sue will contact Denise to get the proper wording to get it put on the warrant.

One of the first items we need to do is to determine whether or not we should join the Community Preservation Coalition. It is expected to be \$750 for our 2007 dues. Several benefits were noted and the general consensus was that it would be very beneficial for the town and could save us money. George moved that we become members of the Community Preservation Coalition and Leah seconded. It passed unanimously.

Sue noted that we need to set a date with other groups in the town to have a brainstorming session and to discuss other town needs and have a list that we can start working on. We should also have Stewart Saginor available to discuss our options. It would be nice if the other groups would have a wish list with them when they come to the meeting.

Sue brought up an idea that some of the towns are doing to comply with the 40B requirement without having new construction. This would entail having the town put deed restrictions on existing property. The smaller houses in the town would be targeted as potential candidates and the current residents would be receiving some compensation from the town (through the CPA) providing they would allow their houses to have deed restriction put on them. This is so the town will have alternatives for some elderly families and provide them with some extra cash.

Last meeting Joe Dean who is currently on the Fincom volunteered for the office of treasurer. Currently Wes Goss is treasurer however he is running for the Selectmen Office and probably would not have a lot of time on his hands if he wins. He was asked if he wanted to continue as treasurer and he noted that he wishes to resign. George moved that Joe Dean be elected treasurer and Rob seconded it. It passed unanimously.

Sue noted that someone ran into the Watering Trough at the corner of Main and Pleasant Street and was wondering if we might be able to use the CPA funds to repair it. It is over 100 years old and it was noted that the expected repair cost would be between \$5,800 to \$7,000. It was believed that the Historical Committee could make the recommendation to have the funds come from the CPA.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 5th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Dean