

# Town of Duxbury DUXBURY, MASS. Community Preservation Committee

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# Minutes of January 28, 2016

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) met on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 8:15 AM in the Mural Room at the Duxbury Town Hall.

Members Present: Holly Morris, Chair; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini; Tony Kelso; Kathy Palmer (arrives

8:25); Terry Vose

Members Absent: Jim Borghesani; Sarianna Seewald

Staff Present: Joe Grady; CPC Administrator; Susan Ossoff, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holly Morris at 8:20 am.

## **OPEN PROJECTS UPDATE**

The Habitat house is proceeding well.

## **NEW/OTHER BUSINESS**

2016 CPC PROJECT REQUESTS

#### Town Clerk: Binding of Permanent Records

On a motion by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, seconded by Kathy Palmer, it was voted 5-0-0 to approve and recommend to Town Meeting the Binding of Permanent Records project to be funded from the Historic Reserve account.

### Joe Grady: Merry Property Expenses Additional Funding

The estimate for additional costs is \$147,800 for the acquisition of the Merry property. These costs are broken down as follows:

Stewardship Fee for 3 CRs	\$40,100
Survey and installation of 75 concrete bounds	\$38,840
Legal Bill FY16 to date	\$54,521.86
Legal for Conservation Restriction	\$20,000
Farm Advisor	\$ 8,500
Conservation Restriction Plan	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$171,961.86
Less remaining funds from purchase	(24,178.70)
ADDITIONAL FUNDS NEEDED	\$147,783,16

The additional funds needed was rounded to: \$147,800

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This purchase was very complex, with 19 parcels of land. In the middle of the process Stan Merry died, resulting in Purchase and Sale extensions and the need for changes in documentation. There is Ocean Spray Stock Certificates involved, and transfers of water rights. But the Town now owns the land, the bogs are actively being farmed; vistas are improving and the properties are being cleaned up.

On a motion by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, seconded by Terry Vose, it was voted 5-0-0 to approve and recommend the expenditure of \$147,800 from the undesignated fund balance to be used for outstanding expenses for the Merry property purchase; this article to be voted at the March 2016 Special Town Meeting.

## **Operating Budget**

On a motion by Tony Kelso, seconded by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, it was voted 5-0-0 to approve and support the funding of the Administrative Account in the amount of \$27,74 at the March 2016 Annual Town Meeting.

#### Historical, Housing, and Open Space funds:

On a motion by Terry Vose, seconded by Kathy Palmer it was voted 5-0-0 to approve \$59,497 to be appropriated to each of the Historical, Housing, and Open Space funds for a total expenditure of \$178,491 at the March 2016 Annual Town Meeting.

#### **Town Meeting Presentation**

Holly Morris will prepare a draft of the presentation and has asked Sarianna Seewald to do the presentation. If Sarianna is unable to do it Terry Vose will do the presentation.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

Minutes: There are no minutes

#### Invoices:

The Duxbury Rural & Historical Society is supposed to be submitted a final report before their final invoice can be processed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Holly Morris said that after the Executive Session, the Committee would be taking no votes when they return to regular session except to adjourn.

Tony Kelso made the following Motion: I move we go into Executive Session to consider the taking, purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if such discussion may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body; and to reconvene in Open Session in accordance with MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B, Subsection 6. The motion was seconded by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini.

The roll call vote was: Holly Morris, yes; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, yes; Tony Kelso, yes; Kathy Palmer, yes; Terry Vose, yes

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

The next meeting is January 28.

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# **ADJOURN**

On a motion by Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, seconded by Jim Borghesani, it was voted 5-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 9:4 0 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan Ossoff

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