Community Preservation Committee Minutes of Meeting January 16, 2013 Hildreth House

Members Present: Deb Ricci, Deb Thomson, Leo Blair, John Lee, Charlie Gorss, Rhonda Sprague, Didi Chadran, Beth Williams

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm. Members approved the minutes of the December meeting as amended.

John reported that he was withdrawing the Parks and Recreation grant request for restoration of the Vets Memorial flagpole. He spoke to the Veterans agent and he said they would take on the flagpole repair next year. John also said he was withdrawing the \$20,000 grant request for repair of the Bromfield stone wall as the cost was closer to \$55,000. Deb R. advised him to submit a written revision of the application and ask Julie Doucet to put it on the town website. John talked to the Bromfield Trust who said they would support the grant at ATM but would not pay for the work. Deb R. questioned whether the wall repair had to be approved by the Historical Commission. John agreed to get Historic Commission approval.

The second part of the meeting at 7:30 pm was an open hearing for members of the public to comment on the potential grants and activities of the CPC. No members of the public appeared.

Members reviewed and approved the minutes from the December 19th meeting as amended. Members then discussed and voted on the remaining three grant applications. Leo questioned whether the Conservation Trust needed an additional \$200,000. Charlie responded that the Conservation trust will be spending \$200,000 next week to purchase a conservation restriction. Leo then reported that the MAHT has 2 projects under contract for affordable housing. There will be a total of 60 affordable units, some rental and some condominiums. At the conclusion of discussion members voted unanimously to approve \$200,000 for the Conservation Trust, \$16,000 for restoration of historic town documents and \$100,000 for the MAHT. They also voted unanimously to approve \$2,500 for administrative expenses of the CPC, including CPA dues.

Members voted to approve the CPC Annual town report as amended. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.