Community Preservation Committee December 10, 2014

Attendees: Didi Chadran, John Lee, Beth Williams, Deb Thomson, Joe Hutchinson, Jo Ward, Pam Marston, Leo Blair, Wendy Sisson, Ken Swanton, Connie Larrabee

The meeting convened at 7:31 PM. Minutes were approved as amended.

<u>Grant Applications</u>: The Conservation Commission grant request for \$50,000.00 was presented by Wendy Sisson. They are seeking funding for the eradication of invasive species on 3 major pieces of conservation land; Hermann Orchard, Bare Hill Sanctuary and Clapp-Scorgie-Tufts-Smith, plus Bellevue Cemetery. The grant request for \$250,000.00 was also presented towards upcoming Conservation Commission projects.

New Business:

<u>COA Application:</u> The COA grant request for \$200,000.00 was presented by Connie Larrabee of the COA and Ken Swanton of the Historical Commission. This request is for elements of Phase 1 improvements to Hildreth House; lift (\$140,000), upstairs bathroom renovation (\$28,000), and raised porch (\$32,000). It was recommended that HCOA look to CPIC or Town Meeting for funding as part of the larger project.

Amendment to CPC Rules and Regulations: Discussion of amendment to the CPC Rules and Regulations to allow the opening of special application cycles to accommodate extraordinary situations was held. After lengthy discussion, vote was taken to leave the application cycle as is, with one abstention.

<u>Follow-Up Discussion:</u> Follow-up discussion of piggybacking on CPIC's long-term planning and list of priorities based on Master Plan to assess Town's long term CPC needs was held. Leo presented CPIC planning sheet for fiscal years 2016-2020. Currently, per Fred Aponte, the CPC State match has about \$61,667.00 with an approximate \$200,000.00 expected in local receipts for 2015, leaving us with an approximate total of \$261,667.00 to distribute.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:23pm.