MEDWAY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

155 Village Street Medway, Massachusetts 02053

Mark Cerel, Chairman, Citizen-at-Large
David Kaeli, Vice Chairman, Citizen-at-Large
James Wieler, Citizen-at-Large
Ken McKay, Conservation Committee
Rob Pomponio, Historical Commission
Robert Reagan, Parks Commissioners
Alison Slack, Affordable Housing Committee
Robert K. Tucker, Planning and Economic Development Board
Tina Wright, Member, Open Space Committee

Approved:

Meeting Minutes: January 7, 2013 Medway High School Library

Call to order:

With a quorum being met, this meeting was called to order by Chairman Cerel at: 7:33pm.

Committee Members present: Mark Cerel, Chairman, Dave Kaeli, Vice Chairman, Member Rob Pomponio, Member, Bob Tucker, Member Robert Reagan, Member Tina Wright; Member Jim Wieler and Administrative Assistant Shirley Bliss.

Discussions:

Thayer Homestead Update:

First round of bids have been received and all exceed the appropriated amount. A meeting was held with both the architect and OPM and several hundred thousand in costs were trimmed with hopes of bringing the next round of bids within the budgeted funds. The second of bids are due the last week of January.

The Committee is also hoping for more interest, as the first round only realized three (3) bids. It is understood that this job is not big enough to garner a lot of interest.

Some of the items trimmed were:

- *the metal roof was changed to the alternative
- *some places that were to be paved were changed to stone and fill
- *some of the house systems were downgraded

ADDED: to the bid was the site work needed, originally the Medway DPS was going to handle this. The Thayer Committee feels that there is a need for an experience in this area.

If this next round of bids still finds the price tag too high, it is expected that the BOS will come before the Community Preservation Committee requesting additional funds.

Thayer Homestead Historical Update:

Rob Pomponio, Historical Commission Chairman stated that they are waiting on an answer from Town Counsel to submit Form B to the State.

Evergreen Restoration Update:

Project is approximately 95% complete. Will be completed in the spring, cold weather forced contractor to stop work. \$9,300 of appropriation has been spent, but it is estimated that there is only \$500 worth of work left.

Discussions (continued)

High School: Medway 300 Video: Medway, Myths, Legends and Ghost Stories

It was mentioned by Rob Pomponio that high school students are putting together a video as part of the Medway 300 and are looking for stories to tell. Their next meeting: Wednesday, January 9, 2013 – all are welcomed to attend:

Two (2) stories were passed along:

A 1930's resurgence of the KKK toward foreigners: a rally was held in the flats and it is told that a group of high school athletes armed with bats broke the meeting up.

Choate Park: was once Indian land

Dawn Rice Norton would be a great resource

Accounts Payable:

A total of \$12,397.19 was approved for payment:

Petrini & Associates \$79.50 Vote: 6-1-0 Nay: Bob Tucker

Legal Fees for Briggs Purchase – Title Insurance Review

WB Mason \$47.06 Vote: 7-0-0

Filing Supplies

Gravestone Services of New England \$8900.00 Vote: 7-0-0

STM Appropriation – Evergreen Cemetery Repairs

50 Winthrop House Rehab:

Electrical Wholesalers \$1188.16 Vote: 7-0-0

United Site Services \$94.00 Vote: 7-0-0

Restrooms for students working on house

Chace Building Supply \$2088.47 Vote: 7-0-0

Interior doors and finish trim

Meeting Minutes:

November 5, 2012 meeting minutes were approved with noted changes.

Motion: Jim Wieler Seconded: Dave Kaeli Vote: 7-0-0

Open Space Update:

A Committee update was given by Tina Wright, Open Pace Chairman:

Wicket Land:

Mr. Wicket will once again come before Town Meeting concerning his land. He plans on demolishing home at 103 Winthrop Street, which will give me frontage on Winthrop Street. Currently there is no way of accessing this property.

The Committee has applied for a grant for Idylbrook work, answer was suppose to come in November, still waiting.

Oakland Park:

Open Space is talking with owner of land behind the soccer fields, with hopes of being able to put more trials in place.

Briggs Land:

The Open Space Committee has walked the land and is looking to tie this property, Choate Park and the Secord land together with path and trails.

Amphitheatre:

Grounds have been cleared to the point of being able to walk perimeter.

Funds approved by CPC for a fence will be complete spring 2013.

There are currently two (2) parking spots on Village Street allowing you to walk down to the fields. The Committee reported that they are looking into canoe launches from the Bernie Lewis property, as well as the area on Village Street. The Village Street launch will be paid for using State funds.

Land Restrictions:

Ms. Wright inquired into the status of CPC's land restrictions.

Chairman Cerel explained the process which includes the requirement that an outside entity hold restriction; such as the Upper Charles Land Trust. Ms. Wright suggested that additional funds be added to the sale price, with those funds be placed in an account so that an endowment can be set up to care for this parcels. A discussion was held to appropriate funds at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2013 the put the restrictions in place. Chairman Cerel also explained that a restriction cannot be placed until the uses of the land are known and although some parcels are an easy decision, some others are more involved.

Adjournment:

With no further business before this Committee a motion was made and unanimously passed to adjourn at: 8:40pm.

Motion: Tina Wright Seconded: Jim Wieler Vote: 7-0-0