

**MILLIS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 9, 2014
Room 229 Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA**

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. by Mr. Nathan Maltinsky, Chair.

Members present: Nathan Maltinsky, Chair
 Catherine MacInnes, Vice Chair
 John Northgraves, Treasurer
 David Baker
 Raymond Normandin
 Pamela Rheaume-Mustard
 Anne Rich

Members absent: Wendy Barry
 Andrea Wagner

Also present: Denise Gibbons, 8 Paddock Lane
 Charles Vecchi, 44 Walnut St.
 Marc Pruffer, 288 Orchard St.
 Meg Wilkes, 90 Farm St.
 Patricia Perry, Millis Public Library
 Maria Neville, Trustee, MPL
 Candace Loewen, Executive Director, Millis Housing

Mr. Maltinsky welcomed all to the annual televised meeting of the Community Preservation Committee, a committee formed after the passage of the Community Preservation Act adopted at Town Meeting in May 2006. Members introduced themselves. Mr. Maltinsky explained the property tax surcharge, state matching funds, and how the funds are to be used:

- (1) Open space preservation
- (2) Creation of recreation opportunities
- (3) Creation of community housing
- (4) Preservation of historic buildings and landscapes

The CPC's purpose, Mr. Maltinsky said, is to review all written project proposals on a "case by case" basis and (1) vote to approve or reject projects for submittal to Town Meeting and (2) review the needs of the Town and make recommendation for the use of CPA funds. Mr. Maltinsky encourages any resident and/or organization to submit proposals for the CPC to review.

Mr. Northgraves, CPC Treasurer, provided an update on the amounts of funding available from each account: Open Space, Historic Resources, Community Housing, Budgeted Reserve, Undesignated Fund Balance (see attached). The State matched funds for 2014 total \$116,095.81.

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Mr. Maltinsky summarized the projects approved by the Community Preservation Committee and Town Meeting thus far. Mr. Maltinsky described the three projects that were approved at the 2013 Town Meetings:

- Bandstand Renovations for \$4,000.00
- Historic Ellice Schoolhouse Project for \$12,500.00
- Dewey Property Tree-line Cutting for \$3,950.00

Mr. Maltinsky presented a Power Point presentation of “before and after” pictures for the Daniels Street Housing Project, Millis Bandstand Project, the Town Park Playground Rehabilitation Project, Niagara Firehouse Project, and Oak Grove Farmhouse Project.

The following representatives spoke on behalf of their CPC funded projects:

1. Candace Loewen, Director of the Millis Housing Authority, for the Daniels Street Housing Project
2. Tricia Perry, Millis Public Library, Archive Room HVAC Unit and Shades Project
3. Denise Gibbons, Town Park Playground Rehabilitation Project
4. Charles Vecchi, Bandstand Renovation Project
5. Marc Prufer, Niagara Firehouse Projects (Phases I and II)
6. Marc Prufer, Oak Grove Farmhouse Restoration Project
7. Meg Wilkes, Ellice Schoolhouse Pre-development Project

Mr. Maltinsky stated that the CPC typically meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in Room 104 of the Veterans Memorial Building and all are welcome to attend.

Mr. Maltinsky stated that the CPC “Project Evaluation Criteria and Application Guidance” document can be obtained from the Department Assistant, Camille Standley. The application can also be downloaded from the Town of Millis website.

The televised portion on the meeting ended at 8:44 p.m.

Other Business:

Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Northgraves, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of November 7, 2013, as written.

On a motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Northgraves, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 5, 2013, as written.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion and on a motion made by Mr. Maltinsky, seconded by Ms. Mustard, and voted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Standley, Dept. Assistant