

**MILLIS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MARCH 6, 2014  
Room 104 Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mr. Nathan Maltinsky, Chair.

Members present:     Nathan Maltinsky, Chair  
                           John Northgraves, Treasurer  
                           Catherine MacInnes, Vice Chair  
                           David Baker  
                           Andrea Wagner

Members absent:     Wendy Barry  
                           Pamela Rheaume-Mustard  
                           Raymond Normandin  
                           Anne Rich

Also present:         Meg Wilkes, Millis Historical Commission

**Ellice Schoolhouse Project (File # 2014-004)  
185 Pleasant St.**

**Meg Wilkes, Millis Historical Commission**

Ms. Wilkes presented the application and funding request for the project. She stated that the CPC had approved an article for \$12,500.00 in funding at the November 4, 2013 Town Meeting, which passed. She said they had hoped to get a matching grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission. According to Ms. Wilkes, they approached the Board of Selectmen for approval; however, they were not in favor. The Massachusetts Historical Commission places restrictions on properties they grant monies to, and the Selectmen were hesitant to put a five to ten year restriction on the property.

Sel. Wagner summarized what was discussed at the Selectmen’s meeting. She said the contract was very limited as to what could be done to the structure. “Don’t tie your hands up front,” was the opinion of the Selectmen. Another reason the Selectmen were not in favor of the grant option was that there was no discussion regarding a restriction for the project – it was voted to approve the “pre-development feasibility” project. In summary, the Board of Selectmen was not in favor of funding through the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

Ms. Wilkes, as a representative of the Millis Historical Commission, is requesting the additional \$12,500.00 in funding for the project. This amount is to cover the state match portion of funds due to the denial of the Selectmen.

On a motion made by Mr. David Baker, seconded by Mr. John Northgraves, it was voted unanimously (5-0) to appropriate and raise by transfer the sum of \$12,500.00 from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve for the development of Architectural and MEP (Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing) plans; construction specifications, and a construction cost estimate based on said plans for the Ellice School House renovation project.

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**CPC Annual Housekeeping Warrant Article**

**CPC Revenues**

**Article 41:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, or reserve a sum of money from the **Community Preservation Fund**, for the Historic Resources Reserve, the Community Housing Reserve, the Open Space Reserve, or the Budgeted Reserve, from annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and/or other expenses in fiscal year 2015, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation; or act in any manner relating thereto.

On a motion made by Mr. John Northgraves, seconded by Ms. Catherine MacInnes, it was voted unanimously (5-0) to make the following appropriations and transfers from the Community Preservation Fund as follows:

Appropriations:

From 2015 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses	<b>\$8,381.00</b>
From Undesignated Fund Balance for Short Term Debt	<b>\$60,000.00</b>
From Undesignated Fund Balance for Short Term Debt Interest	<b>\$1,166.75</b>

Reserves:

From FY2015 estimated revenues for Historic Resources Reserve	<b>\$16,761.00</b>
From FY2015 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve	<b>\$16,761.00</b>
From FY2015 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve	<b>\$16,761.00</b>
From FY2015 estimated revenues for Budgeted Reserve	<b>\$80,000.00</b>

The Community Preservation Committee **recommends approval** of the above article (Article 41) at the Town Meeting to be held on Monday, May 12, 2014.

**Other Business:**

**Minutes**

On a motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. MacInnes, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 6, 2014, as written.

**Adjourn**

There being no further discussion and on a motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Wagner, and voted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Camille Standley*  
*Department Assistant*