

# SEEKONK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

## Minutes - September 16, 2013

Present: Richard Wallace, Priscilla Dunn, Willet Mason, Dave Norton, Susan Waddington

Absent: Neal Abelson, Jason Adamonis, John Alves, Housing Authority

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Vice-chair Richard Wallace

*Minutes* of the September 16, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved as written by those members present at that meeting.

### *Progress reports on current project:*

Habitat for Humanity Gude St. House - Outside construction is well underway. Kathy Coyne, Seekonk resident and her daughter will be the new owners and must provide 500 hours of sweat equity of which 200 may be done by others. Jan Parker, Town Clerk, will organize a work day after mid-October for those wishing to be involved.

Old Town Hall - There are reports of conflicts between the Tribe and the Town Solicitor. The Tribe expects to come before the Board of Selectmen soon and John/Richard will be informed of the date. An agreement between the Town and the Tribe will not be based on a Certificate of Occupancy.

Arcade Trails - While this meeting was taking place, Peter Jensen was meeting with the Conservation Commission to obtain approval for the Arcade Woods trail system.

Cuddigan Property - The Board of Selectmen has not signed the documents indicating their approval of the APR. This will be done at an October BOS meeting. A survey of the property is in progress and it now seems likely that about 20 more acres will come to the town from the Cuddigan family, but without the need for additional money or the Conservation Restriction process. (The land is mostly wetlands).

*CPA report to the DOR.* This was done by Susan, making us eligible for CPA funds when they are dispersed in October.

### *New or potential applications.*

Dave would still like to see the Carpenter House purchased. There is a possibility of land nearby from the estate of a deceased Seekonk citizen and the Committee brainstormed ways of tying the house and land together for a project. Nothing definite came out of this discussion - perhaps at a future meeting this will be further developed. The Carpenter House (302 Oak Hill Ave. sits on  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre. It dates from 1765 and sits on its original location.

*Committee roundtable:*

A request from Kelley Whitmore for printing expenses incurred for our June Town Meeting Warrant Article on the Cuddigan property was unanimously approved. Susan to forward to the Town Finance Director for payment.

*There were no members of the public in attendance.*

*Next meeting:* November 4, 2013. Place to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan R. Waddington  
Clerk