

**TOWN OF STOW**  
**Community Preservation Committee**

**DRAFT Minutes, January 11, 2010**

**Community Preservation Committee Meeting**

*Community Preservation Committee members:* Bob Wilber (Chairman), Dave Walrath (Vice-chairman), Kathleen Willis, Bill Byron, and Mike Busch  
*Admin. Assistant:* Deb Seith

The meeting began at 7:40pm in the Town Building.

**BILLS AND MINUTES**

**VOTE:** Kathleen made a motion to accept the minutes from December 14, 2009 as drafted, Mike seconded, and approval was unanimous.

**NEWS & VIEWS**

The Historical Commission is considering submitting 2 applications for CPA funds for approval at the Annual Town Meeting: a town-wide archeological study & a headstone rehabilitation project.

**Town-Wide Archeological Discussion Points**

- How many other towns have done this? Can we see any examples of finished reports?
- This type of study may help determine where areas may need additional investigation.
- This study should cost significantly less than the town-wide property inventory.
- The study should identify the significant archeological sites in town.
- An expert will analyze maps and aerial photographs – the committee assumes there will be limited site work given the scope of the project..

**Headstone Rehabilitation Project Discussion Points**

- In general the committee felt a comprehensive report should be done to determine the scope, cost, and priority of necessary preservation/rehabilitation cemetery projects. This will help voters to understand what to expect for future cemetery project proposals.
- Is it legal for towns to fix headstones without the permission of the families?

**VOTE:** Dave made a motion to adjourn at 8:33pm, Kathleen seconded, and approval was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Deb Seith  
Administrative Assistant