

TOWN OF STOW
Community Preservation Committee

Minutes, March 24, 2014

Community Preservation Committee Meeting

Community Preservation Committee members present: Kathy Sferra (chair), Bill Byron (vice-chair), Dot Spaulding, Mike Busch, Cortni Frecha, Louise Nejad.

Not Present: Vin Antil, Bob Larkin & Rich Eckel

Admin. Assistant: Deb Seith

The meeting began with a quorum at 7:35pm.

BILLS & MINUTES:

VOTE: Cortni made a motion to approve the minutes of March 10, 2014 as amended, Mike seconded and approval was unanimous.

Action Item: Deb will confirm with the Town Accountant the correct fiscal years to reference in the annual town meeting warrant articles.

RECREATION COMMISSION REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS
PINE BLUFF PRE-DESIGN

Mike shared a handout that Laura Greenough, Director Stow Recreation Commission, had created (see attached). Request for \$8,000 for pre-design funds for due diligence prior to the Town Meeting proposal for design funds.

Mike explained that the Commission would like to prepare a presentation for Town Meeting including site background diligence and facility schematic design.

Mike stressed that the total amount of the of the pre-design and design funds would be \$40,000 (i.e. if \$8000 of administrative funds were used prior to town meeting then \$32,000 would be requested at town meeting).

The Committee tabled the discussion at this time to meet with 2 applicants for the CPC administrator.

CPC ADMINISTRATOR CANDIDATES

The Committee met with Krista Bracci. Committee members introduced themselves shared what committee/commission/board they each represent. Krista gave a brief introduction of herself, her interest in the position, and her qualifications. The members and Krista discussed the position, asked and answered questions of each other.

The Committee met with Gail Kirkman. Committee members introduced themselves shared what committee/commission/board they each represent. Gail gave a brief introduction of herself, her interest in the position, and her qualifications. The members and Gail discussed the position, asked and answered questions of each other.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING BUSINESS

Historic Randall Library Design Funds: There was no new information/updates for the CPA warrant article. There is a second non-CPA warrant article for \$5000 to research and apply for alternate funding sources and grants for the larger Randall Library Project.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED: RECREATION COMMISSION REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS PINE BLUFF PRE-DESIGN

The committee discussed what the benefit of pre-design funds would be and what could be accomplished in the short amount of time before town meeting. Mike explained that the main goal would be to gain support from the community for the project. In general the committee members felt that could be done through other means and there wouldn't be enough time to have meaningful pre-design work done by a consultant that would accomplish this. They also felt that the scope of the work described would most likely be re-done by the consultant hired to do complete the larger design proposal. No vote was taken to appropriate administrative funds.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED: CPC ADMINISTRATOR CANDIDATES

After thoughtful discussion and consideration the committee decided to offer the job to Krista Bracci.

MEETING SCHEDULE

April 7

NEWS & VIEWS: none

Dot made a motion to adjourn at 9:55pm, Mike seconded, and approval was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by:
Deb Seith