

Town of Upton



Massachusetts

Capital Budget Committee

Kenneth Glowacki, Chairman

Robert Varney, Secretary

Frank Aniello

Gary Bohan

Jonathan Calianos

Tina Cote

Capital Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

December 29, 2010

Location: Fire Station

Present: Gary Bohan, Tina Cote, Ken Glowacki, Bob Varney

Also: Mike Penko of the Open Space Committee

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM.

At the Selectmen's Meeting of January 18th the Town Hall Renovation Committee will be discussing the status of the Town Hall Renovation Project. Ken Glowacki recommends that the members of the CBC attend the meeting. Ken Glowacki and Bob Varney are planning on attending.

Chairman Glowacki handed out the Conflict of Interest Law for the members to sign. The members present each signed their copy and gave it to the Chairman to give to the Town Clerk.

Chairman Glowacki handed out a horizontal version of the project rating sheet which will make it easier for the members to compile their opinion of the various projects rating for discussion with the entire committee. Chairman Glowacki will send the form by email to all of the members. The members are to complete the form and send to the Chairman for discussion at a future meeting.

A discussion regarding the Sweet William Farm Article for the January 11, 2010 Special Town Meeting took place among the members present. Although opinions by each member both pro and con were expressed no conclusion or formal opinion was decided. No vote was taken.

A question asked of Mr. Penko as to whether the 10% funds specifically designated for Open Space, Historical and Affordable Housing must be spent on those designated areas? He answered that the funds designated for those areas must be spent on those areas. He also ventured his opinion that the seller (of the land) is not getting a windfall. He also is of the opinion that the

method being used to purchase Sweet William Farm, in that the funds being used are a combination of CPA funds, a State Grant and private donations, is cost effective.

In order to form the CBC's opinion on the Sweet William Farm Article for the January 11, 2010 Special Town Meeting the CBC will meet on either January 5th or 6th. Chairman Glowacki will contact the members and set the meeting for the night that we can have all members in attendance.

Mr. Bohan moved and Ms. Cote seconded to accept the Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2010. Mr. Glowacki questioned the accuracy the minutes regarding a statement by Mr. Robertson of the Library Committee that the Library has 25 patrons per week. Mr. Varney will contact Mr. Robertson for clarification. The minutes were accepted unanimously with the word unanimously removed from the first paragraph second page fourth line, "Both the CPC and the OSC have **unanimously** recommended the purchase."

Mr. Bohan moved and Ms. Cote seconded to accept the Meeting Minute of October 28, 2010. The minutes were accepted unanimously with the spelling of Mr. Sansouci's name corrected.

Mr. Bohan moved and Ms. Cote seconded to accept the Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2010. During a discussion of the minutes Chairman Glowacki agreed to contact the Assessors Board to obtain an estimate of the taxes on Sweet William Farm as it would be structured should the Town Meeting agree to the purchase. The minutes were accepted with Mr. Glowacki abstaining and with the word unallocated changed to undesignated wherever it appears (two locations).

Mr. Varney moved and Ms. Cote seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Varney
Secretary to the Committee