

Community Preservation Committee  
Posted Meeting –February 7, 2013

Present: Paul Carey – Planning Board  
Russell Wood – Historical Commission  
Rena Richard – Upton Housing Authority  
Richard Desjardins – Selectmen’s Appointee  
Chris Scott – Conservation Commission

Meeting called to order at 7:32 p.m.

1. Public Hearing- Proposed Gazebo Project.

Jose Porter requesting \$4,000 to fund construction of a pavilion at Kiwanis Beach.

Mr. Porter is building the pavilion as an Eagle Scout project.

The Upton Men’s Club has agreed to fund an additional \$4,000 and Mr. Porter has also received an offer to mill lumber for the project. The Recreation Commission intends to install lighting and a fire pit.

Mary Cortese provided information on expected use of the property and facilities.

Ms. Scott requested a sign indicating that the project was funded in part by CPA funds.

Public hearing closed at 7:42.

2. Motion to recommend the project to Town Meeting approved unanimously.

3. January minutes received and approved.

4. Discussion regarding Community Preservation Coalition. Renewal of membership (\$1,500 dues) approved.

5. Presentation by Town Hall Renovation Committee regarding alternative decorative painting schemes. Pricing runs from \$20,000 to \$55,000 up to \$220,453.

Discussion regarding the options. A majority of the members expressed a preference for the \$55,000 option while one member felt the \$220,453 option should be selected. The Town Hall Committee prefers the \$55,000 option. The Committee voted to recommend that option.

6. Discussion with Cemetery Commission regarding request for funds to preserve records and create an accurate computer database. Cost would be \$7,744.35.

Committee voted to set a public hearing on March 6, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

7. Discussion with Cemetery Commission regarding request for funds to physically protect the cemetery records. Books will be copied and the copies stored in protective sleeves. The existing books will be treated to prevent deterioration. Cost is \$7,359.00.

The project will be completed concurrently with the computerization project.

Committee voted to schedule a public hearing on March 6, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

8. The Committee voted to submit a warrant article for the annual town meeting to transfer \$10,000 from undesignated funds to the CPC administrative fund.
9. Discussion with DPW Director, Jeffrey Thompson, regarding upgrades to the playground near the VFW. The DPW Director will return for the March 6 meeting.
10. Discussion regarding possible acquisition of Holy Angels Church by the Town.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.