

Community Preservation Committee
Posted Meeting – March 5, 2014

Present: Paul Carey – Planning Board
Richard Holmes – Open Space Committee
Richard Gazoorian – Recreation Commission
Richard Desjardins – Selectmen’s Appointee
Russell Wood – Historical Commission
Margaret Carroll – Selectmen’s Appointee

Meeting called to order at 7:36 p.m.

1. Prior meeting minutes approved.
2. Update as to finances and warrant articles submitted for Town Meeting by Mr. Holmes.
3. Approved payment of annual membership to CMRPC.
4. Presentation by Kathy Taylor and Maureen Byrne regarding Upton’s “First Cemetery”. There has been approximately 90 years of pine tree growth. The trees have begun to sustain damage and likely will have increasing damage from storms. There is a concern that the trees, which should not be growing in the cemetery property, will fall onto and damage head stones. The Upton Historical Commission is therefore looking for CPC Funds for historical preservation. Estimated costs are \$40-50,000, to bring in a crane. Discussion regarding funding sources other than CPC funds. The DPW Director voiced support for the proposal and indicated that there were very limited town funds for forestry. Moved to set a public hearing at 7:40 p.m. on April 2, 2014 and submit a warrant article for \$50,000 in funding for Annual Town Meeting – approved.
5. Presentation by Recreation Committee, Marty Cortese, Paul Pirozzi and Rich Gazoorian. Six potential projects involving Kiwanis and Leland fields and surrounding areas. Discussion regarding the priority of the projects. The Committee agreed to schedule public hearing and submit place-holder warrant article(s).
6. Voted to authorize the chair and/or the vice chair to draft and submit Town Meeting warrant articles for items 4 and 5.
7. Discussion regarding ADA compliance for library. Mr. Wood stated that the building is old, but not historical. Accordingly, there was no request for CPA funding.

Adjourned at 8:34 p.m.