

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
February 28, 2011

Present: Nancy Miller, Chair, Anne Marie Brooks, Angela Dunham, Donald Hall, Sandy Slavin, Sherbie Worthen

Absent: George Barrett

Guests: Brendan Annette, Buzzards Bay Coalition, Jesse Ferreira, Wareham Land Trust

Call to Order – Nancy Miller called meeting to order at 6:40pm.

Weweantic Corridor Project –

Update on Tucy Property Bankruptcy - Mike Martin from the Wareham Water Dept. has reported that Jan 28th the judge ruled to move ahead with foreclosure. Mr. Tucy has been holding out for an “investor”. The Water Dept has monitored the legal proceedings and will continue to pursue holding a 44 acre parcel that protects the well head. Last Spring Town Meeting voted for \$250,000 CPC funds to purchase 80 plus acres for conservation.

Brendan Annette stated that nothing is happening with the bankruptcy at this point but recommended waiting until Fall Town Meeting to possibly withdraw CPC funds and transfer them to the Weweantic Corridor project.

Annette distributed updated detailed maps of the proposed purchases in the corridor along with a funding breakdown. The BBC/WLT needs an additional \$100,000 now from CPC to purchase an additional area that may otherwise be developed. Timing is critical.

Other funds are expected from the State LAND (Local Area Natural Diversity) grant (formerly the Self-Help grant) A larger local match means a larger state match. Also the federal grant is expected in July.

Sandy Slavin explained the need for the Article to contain specifics for each parcel, how each is being funded and which entity will hold the CR. Annette will send all details.

Sherbie Worthen asked for a motion to approve an additional \$100,000 for the Weweantic Project Phase II. Donald Hall moved, Angela Dunham seconded. Vote 6-0-0.

Writing Warrant Articles: Nancy Miller distributed and reviewed copies of the fall 2010 original CPC Warrant Articles, the attorney’s revised version and the Motions.

She explained common language for articles and the necessity of describing precisely where monies will come from, ie. "reserves" "unallocated funds", "or any other monies available to the Community Preservation Fund" and how they will be used.

After Atty Lauren Goldberg, revises and approves the articles, they are given to Mr. Andrews and an electronic plus a hard copy go to the selectmen's office.

Special Town Meeting - Slavin said the two CPC articles will include one to recover balances; the second to re-allocate unused funds from earlier projects.

Adjournment - Hall moved to adjourn, Brooks seconded. Meeting adjourned 8:40pm

Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen, clerk, Community Preservation Committee

Sherbie Worthen, 3/30/11