

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

3-12-14

Present: Angela Dunham, Chair, George Barrett, Joe Leggett, Nancy Miller, Sandy Slavin, Sherbie Worthen

Guests: Affordable Housing Trust; Mary Scarciotti, Agawam Pond Clean Up Committee; Dick Cooley, Mike Lenihan, Jack Dixon, Dick Meaney, Guest; Joseph Mulkern

Meeting Opened: Angela Dunham opened the meeting at 6:00pm

Affordable Housing: Mrs. Scarciotti, member of the Affordable Housing Trust, asked CPC if members would support an inclusionary zoning by-law, requiring developers to provide a certain percentage of affordable housing. Nan Miller responded that we would not take a position as a group supporting a by-law but that we could individually support inclusionary zoning. Angela Dunham recommended Mrs. Scarciotti attend the CPC Bridgewater regional meeting in May that will be solely focused on housing.

Rehabilitation and Restoration of Agawam Pond: Mr. Lenihan and Mr. Cooley described their efforts to restore the pond which has been severely eroded by the growth of fanwort, an invasive species. When they enquired about resources from the town administrator they were referred to CPC as the project relates to community recreation, mainly swimming and boating in a restored body of water. The pond committee has done extensive research about options, costs, procedures. The recommended "state of the art" chemical has been vetted by EPA and is being used in 47 states. The committee was encouraged to secure permitting through various town departments and return to CPC before the June deadline with a proposal for Fall town meeting.

Financial Report: payments to WB Mason and Ricoh were approved.

Minutes: for 1/29 /14 and 2/4/14 were postponed until March 26, 2014 meeting.

Parker Mills Dam: Issues remain re. title search. CPC funding for the Dam will not be a spring town meeting warrant article.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen, clerk, Community Preservation Committee

Sherbie Worthen 4/18/14

