

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

11-12-14

Present: Angela Dunham, Chair, Nancy Miller, Sandy Slavin, Sherbie Worthen
Bill Lockwood arrived at 7:20

Absent: George Barrett, Joe Leggett

Call to Order: Angela Dunham called the meeting to order at 7:20pm.

Historic Preservation Restrictions (HPRs): needed for several properties.

American Legion- Historic District can hold restriction. State can be asked to release HPR should building revert back to the town.

Fearing Tavern, Oak Grove – HPRs written by Eric Dray. Holders needed.

Tremont Nail - To be held by Preservation MASS, pending costs.

Multi Service Center, Town Hall- Town-owned buildings do not need an HPR.

Agawam and Center Cemeteries – HPRs needed.

Methodist Meeting House – HPR needed.

Other Project Updates

Digitizing Grant for Assessor's and Town Clerk's Files – Nancy Miller suggests splitting the \$25,000 grant between two offices and buying new special filing cabinet for Assessors out of CPC admin funds to allow room for files. Cabinet will store cards and deeds from 1911-1950. They will be digitized and have an index. Assessors will do their own filing. Town Clerk will check with other town clerks re. who they used to digitize records which cannot be removed from clerk's office. Sandy Slavin moved to approve \$1,204.45 from admin. for the purchase of the file cabinet. Bill Lockwood seconded. Vote 5-0-0.

Methodist Meeting House – Invitation for Bid (IFB) will be handled by Town. Suggestion to let Historic District review proposal in advance and send Architectural survey to Town Administrator. Since Meeting House is a nonprofit, Town is not required to pay prevailing wage. Need specific estimates for work to be done. Is information prepared by Van Voorhis sufficient to support bidding contract?

Oakdale Playground - First playground to be submitted for restoration at special Spring Town Meeting so funds can be available before July 1st. BL Companies will be presenting to BoS, December 2nd.

Bryant Farm – Needs parking area off Rte 6, possible dog park.

Deadline Date for Proposals – Request to move date from Dec. 2nd to Dec 9th.

Slavin moved to accept new date, Lockwood seconded. Vote 5-0-0

New Proposal for December Deadline: 3 new tennis courts at High School to be presented by School Committee.

Financial Report: New State numbers, 39.55% - \$243,381. FY'15 estimated revenue, \$364,000.

Minutes 10-8-14: Slavin moved to delete section on "Historic Commission." Slavin moved to approve minutes as modified. Dunham seconded. Vote 3-0-2

Nancy Miller will be submitting her resignation letter to the Town Clerk on November 30th. The committee thanked Nan for her many years of hard work.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 10th.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

ATTEST
A TRUE COPY
May Ann Slavin
TOWN CLERK

Respectfully submitted by Sherbie Worthen, clerk, Community Preservation Committee

Sherbie Worthen, 1/23/2015