Minutes of a Meeting of the Wayland Community Preservation Committee March 4, 2015

CPC Member Attendees: Gretchen Schuler, Chair, Maureen Cavanaugh, Bob Goldsmith, John Sullivan, Susan Weinstein, Elisa Scola. These members represented a quorum of the Committee.

Other Attendees: Brud Wright, Recreation Commissioner, Brian O'Herlihy, Tom Sciacca, Lenore Travis.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Public Comment: None

Community Preservation Commission Warrant Articles

The meeting was opened up to the public for questions and answers to the CPC warrant articles going before the April 6, 2015 Annual Town Meeting.

- Set Aside for Later Spending: Gretchen Schuler explained the way funding for the CPA operates with set asides for three categories of spending: open space, public housing and historic resources. The remaining funds are held as uncommitted funds. The four parts of the warrant article include: 1. The yearly set aside for each of the three categories, 2. Correcting the totals in each category because of past inaccuracies in calculating set asides, 3. Setting aside administrative funds, and 4. Replacing funds in the historic resources category that were used for the Cochituate Village Apartments sprinkler system. In response to a question, Gretchen Schuler explained that past calculations of the set aside failed to take into account the state contribution. In response to a question, Susan Weinstein explained Community Housing.
- Transfer of Community Housing Funds to Wayland Municipal Affordable Housing Trust: Susan Weinstein explained that the Housing Committee desires that the affordable housing funds be set aside to the Wayland Municipal Affordable Housing Trust as previously approved at 2014 ATM.
- Set Aside Funds for Later Spending on Open Space: John Sullivan explained the need to have money set aside to purchase open space as has been historically the case.
- Fund Land Management Studies for Conservation Land: Sherre Greenbaum explained the need for land management studies of conservations lands in order to maintain and preserve them properly going into the future.
- **Purchase 246 Stonebridge Road:** Sherre Greenbaum explained the benefits of purchasing this parcel along the Sudbury River and abutting historic Stone's Bridge. Tom Sciacca, Wayland River Counsel Steward concurred with the desirability of purchasing this property in order to promote river access.
- Stabilize Two of Four Arches of Stone's Bridge off Stonebridge Road: Elisa Scola explained the historical significance of Stone's Bridge, the current condition of the bridge and the steps

needed to begin restoration. Tom Sciacca noted that the River Council favors historic preservation and the bridge will serve as both an historic site and a place for passive recreation.

- **Fund Rail Trail Along Wayland 3-Mile Section of Railroad:** Gretchen Schuler explained the plans to remove railroad tracks and to create a gravel path.
- **Study Multi-Purpose Athletic Field at Oxbow Meadow** (Former Nike Site): Brud Wright explained the purpose of the article. In response to a question, Wright explained that there will be open meetings in order to involve neighbors in the process.
- **Design and Construct Trails and Parking at Dudley Woods:** Brud Wright explained the plan to create a walking path through Dudley Woods. It was noted that some of the signs in the area look historic but are not accurate.

Minutes: John Sullivan motioned for the minutes from the January 7, 2015 CPC meeting be approved as corrected. Maureen Cavanaugh seconded the motion. The minutes were approved (5-0-0).

Other Projects:

- **Consider Funding Appraisal of Land at 265 Concord Road**: Bob Goldsmith explained the history of the location commonly called the Barlow Property. The Conservation Commission is requesting administrative funds for an appraisal which could range from \$750 to \$2,500 depending on such factors as whether or not the land can be divided or if portions are non-buildable. John Sullivan motioned to approve \$2,500 for the appraisal. Maureen Cavanaugh seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0-0).
- It was discussed that subsequent to Town Meeting, each group should provide a list of upcoming projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Elisa Scola