

Community Preservation Committee  
APPROVED Minutes of Meeting Held on February 29, 2016  
At the Wayland Town Building

Present: Chair Gretchen Schuler (*representing Board of Selectmen*) and members John Sullivan (*Conservation Commission*), Elisa Scola (*Historical Commission*), Anna Meliones (*Recreation Commission*), Woody Baston (*Board of Public Works*), Susan Weinstein (*Housing Authority*)

Chair Gretchen Schuler called the meeting to order at 7:39pm.

Ms. Schuler reported that the Finance Committee voted not to support the purchase of the conservation restriction on Mainstone Farm by borrowing by the Town's regular funds (as opposed to Community Preservation Act funds). If the Mainstone article passes, there would be approximately \$960,000 left in uncommitted Community Preservation funds but the balance is expected to exceed \$1 million by November due to FY2017 taxes and funding from the Commonwealth's appropriation for community preservation.

The Committee reviewed a memorandum (to CPC from Chair, Gretchen Schuler) outlining costs of borrowing to fund the Mainstone conservation restriction purchase, dated February 23. Sudbury Valley Trustees is committed to raising \$3 million by February 2017, with the intention of conducting the closing on the conservation restriction by June 15, 2017. The Committee discussed the possibility of and process for increasing the community preservation surcharge. Woody Baston moved that the Committee borrow \$7 million, to be repaid from future Community Preservation revenues, for purchase of the conservation restriction on Mainstone Farm. Anna Meliones seconded. The motion carried, 5-1 (John Sullivan voting against).

The Committee discussed presentation of articles at Town Meeting. The annual set-aside into the three dedicated purposes and transfer of the housing set-aside to the Wayland Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund are expected to be considered under the abbreviated process, but Ms. Schuler will present the former and Susan Weinstein will present the latter.

Elisa Scola will present the article regarding North Cemetery. However, because the Historical Commission did not support funding of repair of the Town's clock in the Methodist Church in Cochituate without the Church providing a plan to cover the annual cost of maintenance (\$600, beginning in 2018), Ms. Scola would not present that article. Ms. Schuler volunteered to present the article, as it was supported by the Committee.

Mr. Sullivan indicated that he or someone from the Conservation Commission will present the Mainstone article.

Ms. Schuler will schedule a public hearing for the articles on March 29 at 7:30pm.

Mr. Baston moved to adjourn, Ms. Scola seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Weinstein  
*Clerk pro tempore*