

AS APPROVED – 8-19-13

**WEST BOYLSTON
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
March 4, 2013**

Members present: George Bernardin, Steve Blake, Pat Crowley, Bev Goodale, Pat Halpin, Charlene Hopkins, Karen Pare, and Chris Rucho. Absent: Joan Welsh

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

MINUTES: The minutes of January 16, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

ORCHARD KNOLL Pat Crowley reported that the Town has received legal advice that it would be proper to use the remaining \$1520 of the \$25,000 approved on July 14, 2010 for the repair of the other roofs at Orchard Knoll. [See minutes of 1-19-13 meeting.]

PARKS BLEACHERS AND BENCH SEATS –The Committee has received an application dated 2/3/19 from the Parks Commission for \$9500 to purchase parks bleachers and bench seats. It was voted to approve the late filing of the application. There then was a discussion as to whether such an appropriation would be proper under the Community Preservation Act. It was agreed that Pat Crowley would review this question with staff at the Community Preservation Coalition. He will also ask Leon Gaumond whether he would be able to include this spending the regular Town budget.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that if the Committee does not receive an opinion from the Coalition as to the legality of the appropriation, the question should be referred to Town Counsel.

When Pat has answers to these two questions, he will report back to the Committee.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PLAN The Committee gave an initial review of the draft revised plan prepared by Pat Crowley. It agreed that the suggested changes [indicated in red in the draft] should be incorporated into the Plan, except that the proposed new Goal 10 under Open Space should be moved to the Recreation Section on page 7 and modified to read as follows

Rehabilitation of existing outdoor recreational facilities, including replacement of playground equipment and other capital improvements to the land or the facilities thereon to make them more functional for their intended recreational use.

The Committee also discussed the guidelines criteria checklist prepared by the CPC for the Town of Grafton. It was agreed to review the Grafton guidelines/funding criteria at a future meeting with the intent of incorporating them into our own application process, making such changes as seem appropriate.

NEXT MEETING After Pat has answers to our questions regarding the Parks Commission application, he will schedule the next meeting of the Committee, the agenda for that meeting to include:

- The Parks Commission application
- Signage at locations funded under the CPA
- Funding criteria addendum to the CPA allocation form
- Scheduling the annual public hearing regarding updating the CPA plan
- Establishing a regular meeting date and time for the Committee

There being no additional business, it was voted to adjourn at 7:00 pm.

A true record:

George F. Bernardin, Secretary