

Budget & Finance Committee
 Thursday, November 21, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.
1st Fl. Council Conference Room – City Hall
 -Minutes-

Present: Chair, Councilor Melissa Cox; Vice Chair, Councilor Scott Memhard; Councilor Ken Hecht
Absent: None.

Also Present: Kenny Costa; Jim Destino; Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Aiello; Vanessa Krawczyk; Jaimie Corliss

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Matters were taken out of order.

1. Memorandum from Veterans Services Director re: request acceptance of donations to support Cape Ann Veterans Services in the amount of \$2,020

Jim Destino, CAO, requested that the Council accept two donations totaling \$2,020 to support the Cape Ann Veterans Services programs that assist the city's active duty military personnel and its veterans. **Councilor Memhard** recognized and expressed appreciation for the service of Sgt. David Coullard who as a young man spent his summers in Gloucester, from the Hartford, CT area, and was killed by sniper fire. He acknowledged the Memorial Fund's donation saying it was impressive to see this donation in his memory.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept under MGL c. 44, §53A, cash donations from members and business partners to the Cape Ann Office of Veterans' Services for the purpose of supporting on-going efforts to serve Veterans and Active Duty military for a total of \$2,020.00 as follows:

<u>Name/Entity</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
Sgt. David J. Coullard Memorial Fund	\$2,000.00	10/15/2019
Giuseppe & Audrey Brancalone	\$ 20.00	10/21/2019
TOTAL:	\$2,020.00	

2. Memorandum from Police Chief re: request acceptance and disbursement of donations received from Public Safety Day in the amount of \$2,156

Mr. Destino explained that this is acceptance of funds raised during the recently held Public Safety Day amounting to \$2,156, and the money upon acceptance will be disbursed as a donation directly to Cops for Kids with Cancer.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept under MGL c. 44, § 53A, accept cash donations totaling \$2,156.20 from the Gloucester Police Department's Public Safety Day event for the purpose of the Gloucester Police Department disbursing those funds to the Cops for Kids with Cancer organization.

3. Memorandum from Assistant Fire Chief re: request acceptance of a FEMA Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$8,500

Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Aiello advised that this FEMA grant will allow the Emergency Management Department to purchase vests and helmet to outfit the Fire Department's first-arriving companies to protect them and provide training in an active shooter situation. He reported they've been doing training with the Police and sent several men to a Train the Trainer program. Now those trained staff will train other department firefighters in conjunction with the Police. **Councilor Cox** noted this grant has been received by the city in the past, thanking the Assistant Chief for pursuing this funding. The in-kind match is the staff cost to conduct the training, **Assistant Chief Aiello** explained, on inquiry by **Councilor Cox**.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept under MGL c. §44, 53A a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$8,500.00. Funds are to be used for the purpose of providing training and equipment for active shooter/hostile events through the Gloucester Emergency Management Department. The grant period for the FFY2019 grant portion is from November 15, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and there is a 100% in-kind match for this grant.

4. Memorandum from Council on Aging Director re: request acceptance of the FY20 Title III B Older American's Provider Services Grant in the amount of \$9,841

Mr. Destino advised that this is an annual formula grant that supports the partial salary for the Council on Aging Outreach Coordinator. He mentioned the on file documentation listing some of the Council on Aging programs. It was noted this dollar amount was a slight increase over last year's grant. The match comes from the portion of the Outreach Coordinator's salary funded by the city, he noted.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept under M.G.L. c. 44, §53A a federal grant passed through the Mass. Executive Office of Elder Affairs through SeniorCare, Inc., for a Title III-B Older Americans Act Grant for \$9,841.00 for FY2020. Funds are to be used to supplement the hours and part-time salary for an Outreach Coordinator Worker at the Rose Baker Senior Center. The grant period is from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, and there is a minimum 10% local match for this grant.

5. Memorandum from CFO re: request the rescission of authorized but unissued debt in the amount of \$3,214,452

Mr. Destino pointed out that this is an action not taken often, usually the Council is asked to vote to repurpose monetary remainders of former loan orders of capital projects. In this case, these are projects (identified in the packet on file) which total \$3,214,452, and they're asking that the Council vote to rescind the loan authorizations on unissued debt in order to reduce the city's contingent liability associated with these former projects thereby removing it from the city's books as a part of its overall debt. He enumerated that these projects either came in under budget or donations and/or grants were received to offset the loans and so not the total of authorized funds were sought. Councilor Memhard asked if there is a savings in terms of the contingent liability being reduced, and did it translate in real dollars. Mr. Destino advised there weren't but that from an accounting standpoint it is better fiscal policy and reduces the overall city debt ceiling.

This matter will be taken up under the B&F Committee Report on Nov. 26th.

6. Memorandum and Supplemental Appropriation-Budgetary Request 2020-SA-8 from Treasurer/Collector: Funding of AFSCME B Contract for FY2020

Mr. Destino highlighted that this is not funding pay raises through one-time monies. This supplemental appropriation request is based on the new AFSCME B contract just negotiated and signed by the Administration and the union. Needed is \$56,300 for funding the contract, and he advised the plan for that funding was to be from Overlay Surplus. But there has been personnel out in the CFO's office, and they've not been able to get the tax title receivables switched over yet. He asked to take the funds out of the Stabilization Fund temporarily and then they'll remove the same amount out of the Overlay Surplus at the first of the year, and replace it in the Stabilization Fund.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council approve 2020-SA-8 for \$56,300.00 (Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred Dollars) from Account #7500-359000, General Stabilization Fund-Undesignated Fund Balance to Various City Department General Fund Salary accounts

as presented in the Budget & Finance Committee packet, for the purpose of increasing budgets in 13 General Fund Salary Accounts to fund AFSCME B salary increases for funding the AFSCME B Contract for FY2020.

Mr. Destino added that pursuant to the compensation and class study which included AFSCME B staff, the Personnel Ordinance will need a public hearing. Even though this money will be put forward to the Council for appropriation, this money won't be disbursed until the ordinance is adopted, he advised.

7. Memorandum from Grants Administrator re: recommendations from the Community Preservation

Hammond Museum, Inc. (D/B/A Hammond Castle)	Clestory Restoration	\$135,000
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Craig Lentz, Manchester, Chairman of the Board of the Hammond Museum, Inc., and Linda Harvey, Executive Director, Manchester were present to represent Hammond Castle, (fact sheet on Hammond Castle application placed on file). Mr. Lentz advised that this funding will be used to restore and preserve the clerestory ceiling located within the castle's courtyard sited at the center of the museum which covers a medieval village. The original clerestory is made up of wired-glass panels and needs replacement. An engineering company has been involved and the issues were briefly described as to the condition of the structure. The wired-glass panels will be replaced with a translucent panel(s). The \$135,000 is 48% of the total cost of the project which is estimated at \$271,000. There are many capital projects to follow, he mentioned. Revenues are up this year by 50% which he advised gives the museum more discretionary income to put towards needed capital projects. Mr. Lentz spoke to grant writing for other capital projects the museum has in the offing. He advised that this is the first time the museum's applied for CPA funding, saying this will be a foundation that they'll fundraise. The renovation will be conducted in the off season, either in the fall of 2020 or the spring of 2021.

Councilor Hecht pointed he'd read the annual report of the museum noting that their finances are tight.

Councilor Cox asked what the plans were for fundraising. Ms. Harvey described planned dinners, concerts, and programing, as well as fundraising events and corporate sponsorship saying that they have about eight events planned for the coming year. It was noted that the Gloucester High School theater program will be doing a play at the museum, and in conjunction with that event the museum will do a presentation about Dr. Hammond and his inventions.

Councilor Cox noting the limitations of on-site parking for museum goers, noted that they shuttle people in from Stage Fort Park for events. Recently for their Halloween event she conveyed her concern for pedestrian safety with so many people coming in and out of the museum onto the street. Because of the museum's limited parking she urged they work with the DPW to use Stage Fort Park for satellite parking. Ms. Harvey advised they will work to utilize satellite parking for museum events. Councilor Cox asked how the museum plans to give back to the community as CPA Funds are taxpayer's money. She noted that the Beauport Museum allows residents in for free; the Cape Ann Museum allows free admission to residents during the month of January. She voiced her encouragement that the Hammond Castle Museum undertake a similar program. Ms. Harvey mentioned an upcoming Christmas event with Santa at the museum for youngsters from the YMCA and Pathways for Children, and another children's event slated during the holiday season as well which she indicated was a beginning.

Councilor Memhard, calling the museum a unique asset in the city, asked if there's any plans long term for better accessibility to the museum. Mr. Lentz advised they have an ADA waiver they've placed a video program in the lobby that gives a tour of the museum for those who can't access its interior saying that they're unable to do anything about the museum's stone stairs.

Site Visit: Wednesday, December 4th at 10:00 a.m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$135,000 (One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act Funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the Hammond Castle Museum, for the purpose to preserve and rehabilitate the Hammond Castle Courtyard Clerestory in order to restore an historic resource. The appropriation will be allocated to the Historic Preservation category and funded from Unrestricted Reserves in Fund #4500. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Historic Preservation Projects Fund #4741.

Historic New England, Beauport Museum, Sleeper-McCann House-Window preservation for

this will likely be the last time she'll vote in favor of CPA funding for the Society until they can show movement in leveraging CPA grant funds. **Councilor Hecht** expressed his agreement with Councilor Cox's sentiments.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act Funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the Magnolia Historical Society, for the purpose to preserve and rehabilitate the Blynman School House in order to restore an historic resource. The appropriation will be allocated to the Historic Preservation category and funded from Unrestricted Reserves in Fund #4500. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Historic Preservation Projects Fund #4743.

Ocean Alliance	Paint Factory ADA Bathroom Improvements	\$30,000
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Councilor Cox recused herself under MGL Ch. 268A, as her employer has submitted estimates for this project and left the room.

Iain Kerr, CEO of Ocean Alliance and **Alicia Pensarosa**, Assistant Director of Ocean Alliance, recounted that they are asking for funding assistance in order to build two handicap accessible bathrooms in the newly renovated Building A at the Tarr & Wonson Paint Factory site. This is the next step to hosting community events. They'll be putting in new docks by spring, and they'll expect more public traffic to the site. **Councilor Hecht** conferred briefly with Mr. Kerr about the dockage, learning that it is going to be about 196 linear feet with a goal to get more research and sail training vessels back into the city. **Mr. Kerr** touched on the docks' financing and their business plan for it, saying that it is their business plan to support the community and Ocean Alliance's research. This funding will give community members and visitors more accessibility to the historic site. He touched on unrestricted grant funding from the Annenberg Foundation. He noted they have a sprinkler system almost completely installed.

Councilor Hecht noted he's received questions as to the condition of the exterior of the building. **Ms. Pensarosa** conveyed that the large building (Building C) is polluted, and they'd have to take the floorboards out which requires hazmat removal and capping, saying the building would have to come down before it goes back up which is an enormous project. They did get a quote for roofing on it to at least preserve the building until they can undertake that project. She also expanded on some of the renovation plans for the other buildings briefly. **Councilor Memhard** mentioned that he took a tour of Building C and saw the pervasive contamination. He asked about plans for vehicle access and parking. **Ms. Pensarosa** conveyed that they want to finish the buildings so that they can move the robotics program into the upstairs of the one of the buildings and remove the container that's on site now housing the program, which will enable them to expand on-site parking. **Mr. Kerr** indicated there are further plans for parking expansion in the offing, adding that next year they plan to put \$500,000 into the property.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$22,705 (Twenty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act Funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the Stage Fort Park Advisory Committee for the purpose to preserve and rehabilitate the Stage Fort Park Parrot Rifle Cannon Carriage in order to restore an historic resource. The appropriation will be allocated to the Historic Preservation category and funded from Unrestricted Reserves in Fund #4500. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Historic Preservation Capital Projects Fund #5809.

Councilor Cox returned to the room.

Stage Fort Park Advisory Committee	Parrot Rifle Cannon Restoration	\$22,705
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David Dow, Chair of the Stage Fort Park Advisory Committee, reviewed that they are seeking funding for the fabrication of an aluminum "historic-rendering" of a carriage for the Parrot Rifle Cannon as part of a multi-year project to restore the Fort Area of Stage Fort Park. Two cannons have been removed for preservation suggested by the Clemson University preservation team. When finished those two cannons will return to the Fort, and **Mr. Dow** described some of the issues of restoration. This "rifle" is situated in the Fort pointing towards Ten Pound Island and weighs about 4,700 lbs. He advised the cannons internally are in bad shape but the deterioration can be

addressed. **Councilor Cox** asked if there is any thoughts to plugging the cannon holes when they're returned to the Fort. **Mr. Dow** advised the plan is to plug the cannons for their protection. **Councilor Cox** asked about the total expense. **Ms. Corliss** conveyed that the total project was \$45,000.

Responding to an inquiry by **Councilor Hecht**, **Mr. Dow** advised that there are no public donations for this project, but there is a lot of incidental funds they've needed which he's funded personally. There was a need to purchase a container to keep the cannons secure with heating, lighting and a security camera which he noted he paid for himself. It is located on a property in an adjoining town, he added. **Councilor Cox** discussed access to the container, its location and security with **Mr. Dow**. She asked that he give a key to the container to the DPW Director in case anything were to happen citing the need for a chain of custody of city property. **Councilor Memhard** assured **Mr. Dow** this was for back up purposes.

Councilor Cox noted she was okay with **Mr. Dow's** managing the project, and expressed her appreciation for his efforts. She asked that he speak with **Ms. Corliss** to learn if some of his restoration expenses are reimbursable.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$22,705 (Twenty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act Funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the Stage Fort Park Advisory Committee for the purpose to preserve and rehabilitate the Stage Fort Park Parrot Rifle Cannon Carriage in order to restore an historic resource. The appropriation will be allocated to the Historic Preservation category and funded from Unrestricted Reserves in Fund #4500. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Historic Preservation Capital Projects Fund #5809.

Cape Ann YMCA

Camp Spindrif Improvements

\$42,000

Tim Flaherty, representing the YMCA of the North Shore, Inc./Cape Ann YMCA, recounted briefly for the Committee the history of Camp Spindrif, serving Gloucester's children since 1963. Due to aging assets on the site, they need to renovate and improve many parts of the camp. He pointed out that the city doesn't have a Parks and Recreation department and suggested that is the role of the YMCA for the community. He mentioned that the city's school children have used the property as has the city's Police Department. He reported that there are two pavilions that have deteriorated covers which need replacement; the restoration of a field; and a basketball court, all used for not just the camp but for community events. The CPC approved \$42,000 after several iterations, he pointed out, because certain elements couldn't be funded. The facility is rented out, he confirmed for **Councilor Cox** for non-YMCA functions. He indicated they try to ensure they don't lose money on the camp, but when the schools and city departments utilize the facility they only charge for staffing. **Councilor Cox** expressed she knew the YMCA gives back with supplemental programming which **Mr. Flaherty** reviewed briefly naming some of the programs. Field restoration and irrigation was touched on by **Mr. Flaherty** noting that the Mass Mudders who use the camp stay on the trails surrounding it and don't cross the main part of the camp. He described the field's location which is currently just dirt and discussed that portion of the project briefly with the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$42,000 (Forty Two Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the YMCA of the North Shore, Inc., Cape Ann YMCA for the YMCA Camp Spindrif Improvements Project to enhance community recreational opportunities. The appropriation will be allocated to the Open Space and Recreation category and be funded from the Open Space and Recreation Reserves in Fund #4510. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Open Space and Recreation Projects Fund #4605.

The Committee recessed at 6:53 p.m. and reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

Cape Ann YMCA

New Cape Ann YMCA Splash Park

\$200,000

Mr. Flaherty reviewed the many amenities that will be built into the new YMCA currently under construction on the site of the former Fuller School, one of which is a splash park, all of which is intended to meet the recreational needs to the community. The request is for \$200,000, with the new YMCA estimated at \$30 million.

He expressed the opinion that this is a good use of CPA money by creating more opportunities for the community in a brand new facility that has the resources they can't provide now at the YMCA's Middle Street facility.

Councilor Hecht advised Councilors have received expressions of concern about this application. When looking at the projects they just approved, including Camp Spindrift he indicated he was finding it difficult to agree to a splash park. He touched on the YMCA's 2017 financial statement of 2017 briefly. While he conveyed he appreciated the YMCA, he pointed out that there are 90 miles of road in the city and that annual budget is \$30,000 which shows the city under financial stress. He touched on some of the \$200,000 projects needed for the city of Gloucester. He expressed having difficulty in committing \$200,000 of taxpayer's money going towards a splash park. **Mr. Flaherty** expressed appreciation for the Councilor's concerns saying that it's a good investment for what the YMCA brings (to the community). The Cape Ann YMCA loses money every year about \$150,000 to \$200,000, he pointed out indicating that the North Shore YMCA supports them so the Cape Ann YMCA doesn't go under.

Councilor Cox asked for a rendering of what the splash park will look like (Note: no rendering of the proposed splash park was offered and none was on file) and asked if there is an age range. This is for elementary and younger, **Mr. Flaherty** noted.

Councilor Memhard asked about the park's seasonality. **Councilor Cox** asked if the splash park is in the elements. **Mr. Flaherty** confirmed it is outside. **Councilor Cox** offered that for \$200,000 she'd rather invest it in something Gloucester residents can use year round. She pointed out that the construction is shown as \$200,000 and that indicated to her that there is no buy in by the YMCA whatsoever. She advised, she too, was concerned about funding this project, based on the buy in and presentation. She expressed that the city has some bigger projects coming up, and they're asking to fund CPA projects over and above citizen's high tax burdens. **Mr. Flaherty** indicated that the total project cost is \$750,000 for a full-fledged splash park. **Councilor Memhard** confirmed with **Mr. Flaherty** that the splash park is outside and would be installed to the left of the building.

Ms. Corliss touched on the objections the Councilors had raised with **Councilor Cox** hearing that it is about the cost and what it's being applied to briefly. **Councilor Hecht** advised that this project is 25% of all the CPA allocations. He expressed understanding that the YMCA sees itself as the city's Parks and Recreation Department, but asked if it makes sense to invest CPA money into this purpose as opposed to the just recommended Camp Spindrift CPA funding application because this is a short-season use.

Barbara Silberman, Co-Chair of the CPC asked for confirmation of the total dollar amount under open space reserve which **Mr. Costa** confirmed was \$243,728.50; that's from 2010 until now being set aside, 10% of the CPA Fund budget. **Ms. Corliss** advised that a dedicated category is spent before the reserves. There are three projects in this round, **Mr. Costa** briefly discussed funding from the various CPA Fund categories and how in the end the funding can be utilized to meet the applicants' requests. He touched on certain applications that could be funded from the CPA unrestricted reserves. **Councilor Hecht** confirmed **Ms. Corliss** the applicants send letters to her and then the Community Preservation Committee determines what category the CPA funding is allocated from.

Councilor Cox proposed that the Committee reduce the proposed YMCA allocation to \$100,000. **Councilor Hecht** advised he saw the reduction more palatable. **Councilors Memhard** and **Cox** asked for more information on the splash park, expressing interest in a site visit to the Ipswich YMCA which purportedly has a splash park similar to what the Cape Ann YMCA wants to install. **Councilor Hecht** suggested that in order to optimize citizen's money for the people in need the most, he'd be willing to put in more money for affordable housing such as the eventual conversion of the Middle Street YMCA facility; to Camp Spindrift and what they have previously approved. He conveyed his support of the reduction to \$100,000.

Jennifer Lee Levitz-Aronson, CPC member, advised she wanted to vote no on this application but the vote came up in her first meeting as a CPC member, and so she voted present. She conveyed to the Committee her concern that the YMCA shouldn't get this money citing there were other more pressing needs. She asked that this be tabled, that even \$100,000 is too much.

David McKechnie, 12 Wolf Hill Road, Co-Chair of the Cape Ann YMCA Capital Campaign advised that they will try to do the splash park with or without city funding. He pointed out that the overall YMCA project has had issues that has been costly. This is a focal point, he highlighted, saying that YMCA's that have a splash park find it is their most popular feature for children and families to gather. Seniors go with their grandchildren to the splash parks and the YMCA will maintain it, he added. He conveyed this will be an additional hurdle for the YMCA to build the splash park without city money. **Councilor Cox** advised no one is questioning the YMCA's contribution to the city. She pointed out she is willing to vote for \$100,000 saying it could change at the public hearing. **Councilor Memhard** advised that the YMCA could come back for a second round of CPA funding.

Site Visit to Ipswich YMCA Splash Park: Wednesday, December 4th at 11:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the YMCA of the North Shore, Inc., Cape Ann YMCA for the purpose of the new Cape Ann Community YMCA Splash Park Project to enhance community recreational opportunities. The appropriation will be allocated to the Open Space and Recreation category and be funded from the Open Space and Recreation Reserves in Fund #4510. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Open Space and Recreation Projects Fund #4606.

Project #6 – Young Legends Street Hockey Organization – Street Hockey Rink - \$100,000

Note: This CPA Fund application was reviewed at the Budget & Finance Committee meeting on November 7th, and a site visit was conducted on November 16th.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On motion by Councilor Hecht, seconded by Councilor Memhard, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appropriate up to \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Act funds as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, to the Young Legends Street Hockey to replace an existing basketball court at Stage Fort Park with a Street Hockey Rink and attendant apperturances. The appropriation will be allocated to the Open Space and Recreation category and be funded from the Open Space and Recreation Reserves in Fund #4510. The project will be tracked in the Community Preservation Fund – Open Space and Recreation Capital Projects Fund #5720.

Mr. Costa reported that the tax rate will be approved first before the balance sheet and they may not be ready for the public hearings on these projects on December 10th. It was acknowledged that if that was the case that the public hearing could be opened and continued to January 14, 2020, the Council's first meeting of 2020.

Councilor Cox noted there won't be a B&F meeting on December 5th and anything coming through the Mayor's Report of November 26th will be taken up at January 9, 2020 B&F meeting.

Councilor Memhard thanked the Community Preservation Committee for all their hard work through a difficult decision-making process. Councilor Cox advised that public feedback will come forward at the public hearing.

These matters are scheduled for public hearing December 10, 2019.

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana C. Jorgenson

Clerk of Committees

DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING:

- Proposal Fact Sheet from Hammond Museum Inc.