

Community Preservation Committee
Minutes
February 21, 2017

Members Present: Catherine Schlichte, Co-Chair, John Feener, Hank McCarl, Barbara Silberman, Ellen Preston, Heidi Wakeman, David Rhineland and Karen Carter

Staff Present: Deb Laurie

The meeting was opened by Catherine S. at 6:04 PM. Catherine introduced Karen Carter as the new housing representative for the Committee and asked that everyone else introduce themselves to Karen. Introductions were done.

Item #1 Approval of Minutes

Barbara S. made a motion to accept the minutes of January 17, 2017, and seconded by David H. All in favor, yes. Minutes approved.

Item #2 Update on Open Projects

Deb L. gave the following update of ongoing projects.

Older Projects

1. Phyllis A. – No new status.
2. UU Church - The first construction project will be the kitchen gas range fire-suppression system, followed by installation of the new the water service into the building. The full-building project, installing the sprinkler system and infilling all of the walls with fire-proof insulation, is slated for May-September, 2017.
3. Mattos Lighting – Out to bid again; bids came in on January 19th, but was about \$45k over budget. Dick Wilson, seeking more funds from the Dusky Foundation. Has to accept bid by beginning of March. Ellen P. stated that she will follow up and see where they are at with additional funding. John F. asked if we have to go back to City Council if they change the scope. Deb L. will look at agreement and Certificate of Vote and look into.
4. The Adventure - Submitted their last invoices. Project 99% complete.
5. Ocean Alliance – Project is about 1/3 done; they have reinforced brick window arch, repaired window, repaired brick and discovered parts of the old kiln. Project moving along. John also asked if Deb L. could check on the outreach for their educational aspect of the project. She will check.

New 2016 projects:

Agreements have been issued and being returned to office for city signatures. Most projects won't need to start til spring.

Deb also gave a brief update of the off-cycle Legion project. They were scheduled to appear before B&F on Thursday night, but the meeting was postponed due to the weather and rescheduled for Monday,

February 13th. The meeting went well and the full B&F recommended the project to be approved by City Council. They City Council will have a public hearing on Tuesday, February 28th.

Item #4 Vote on new Co Chair and suggestions for new at large member

Hank M. suggested that Ellen P. be the next Co Chair; Ellen declined because she didn't feel she had enough experience at this point. Motion was made by Ellen P. to recommended Barbara S. as the new Co Chair. John F. agreed with the recommendation and thought Barbara has good insight and good depth of knowledge on the projects that have been before them. John F. seconded the motion, all in favor, yes. Barbara S. graciously accepts the nomination.

John F. also recommended J.D. McEachern as a new At Large member. J.D. was present at the meeting and the Committee told him to write a letter of interest to the Mayor to be appointed to the CPC. John F. suggested including in the letter his knowledge of CPA projects and that he has attended meetings. Ellen P. also has a person in mind, so she will tell them to also write a letter of interest to the Mayor.

Next on the agenda was a letter Deb L. received today from Scituate. The Letter is requesting assistance in amending the Community Preservation Act for coastal communities in Massachusetts who participate in the CPA. They are proposing an amendment to CPA to have recreational water activities be included as part of a recreation use. The committee discusses the pros and cons of the issue. They will draft a response at the next meeting. Deb will also look to see if anything is posted on the Coalition's website regarding this topic.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2017.

MOTION by Barbara S. to adjourn, seconded by Heidi W. APPROVED unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Laurie

List of Documents Reviewed:

Draft minutes January 17, 2017
Status Project charts with reports for 2014 & 2015
Letter of Scituate