

**Community Preservation Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2018**

PRESENT: Barry Johnson, Richard Anderson, Peter Holmes, Penny Myers, Fred Bartholomew, Andrew Cooney

EXCUSED: Daniel Doucette, George Sala, Neil Langille

ALSO PRESENT: Glen Cannon, Sue Ross, Vicki Carr, Les Perry, Nate Robinson, David McPherson, John Carroll and other members of the public

Recording Clerk, Ann Gutterson

B. Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

FY19 Applications

Bike Path: \$50,000

Glen Cannon, Assistant Town Administrator: This is for a survey and preliminary design for a bike path from the canal to the intersection of Presidents Rd and Monument Neck Rd. along the railroad track. It's about ½ mile. Construction money will come from MA DOT. We estimate a \$1,000,000 project cost. If we design it, they will fund it. The survey is to see impacts to wetlands, endangered species, etc. It's phase 1. The overall project is to connect to the Shining Sea bike path in Falmouth. Running the path next to the railroad tracks. May have to bring some areas to grade or cross the street where there are bridges. MA DOT and the Cape Cod Commission are looking to connect all rail trails from Bourne to Provincetown. That will be 88 miles of pathway off road, safe for bikes, walking, etc. All are in a design or construction phase. Both parties are excited for it.

David McPherson, Chair of the advisory committee: DOT is very supportive of this project.

R. Anderson: How long from the time you put in until the work starts:

Glen: About 3-4 years. It's all based on when MA DOT wants to do it. By spring we should be underway with the survey.

P. Myers: Where on the canal will it begin?

Glen: At the train bridge, Bell Rd.

A. Cooney: Why a limited section?

Glen: We need a termination point where people can get on/off the pathway.

A. Cooney: Will we need a study for every phase?

Glen: Overall pot on Cape Cod is \$11 million. We go into a lottery. We estimate three phases.

P. Holmes: So about \$150,000 for the three phases?

Glen: Could be more as longer segments will be more in depth. We are discussing grant funding at our meeting on Wednesday.

A. Cooney: It's a good faith effort on the part of the Town.

F. Bartholomew: Any comments from Otis?

Glen: The old Commander was in favor of removing the track, the new one wants to keep it.

P. Holmes made a Motion to support with the funding coming from Open Space/Recreation reserves. The Motion was seconded by R. Anderson with all in favor.

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Nate: Thank you for taking this under proposal. We are thrilled with the progress tonight.

Glen: This is a very critical first step, thank you.

B. Johnson: This will be a simple majority vote at Town Meeting.

Housing:

Sue Ross: We are withdrawing our application for this Town Meeting. The Town is interested in subsidized inventory. We had an opportunity to build 20 units downtown. The DHCD says that with rentals, if 25% are affordable, we can count all units. We have some money to put towards that but the developer hasn't done their homework to our satisfaction. We appreciate all your help.

A. Cooney made a Motion to accept the withdrawal. The Motion was seconded by P. Holmes with all in favor.

B. Johnson: Outline funding for 2019: Housing is down to 19¢. There is \$132,000 left in open articles from 2016/17. If something like this comes up and fits in those, we can use that money.

Sue: If we come again, we'll have it all budgeted.

B. Johnson: There is just over \$37,000 in the Housing Specialist line items. We can put in a project rescission article like we usually do. Money will go back to the Housing line item. A letter from Sue is needed.

R. Anderson made a Motion to put in a rescission article from the two articles of the Housing Specialist. The Motion was seconded by A. Cooney with all in favor.

Sue: We didn't need the full amount the last couple of years.

B. Johnson: Should go back for reappropriation. There is still \$92,389 for the sprinkler at the Continental apartments. She told me they went for this 2-3 times but the bids are much higher than available fund. I advised her to talk to Dave Pelonzi about it. If rescind that, request us to do something for the next town meeting. It's public safety and see if it can fit in the funds they have.

B. Johnson: The State match is down to 18% now for the fund.

R. Anderson: Would like to set a time limit for the expenditures. If nothing is done in ____ amount of time, it comes back to us for a vote and explain why it's taking so long. I know some things are done in stages.

B. Johnson: Merit. Make effective tonight if vote for it. Set aside time to invite the various components before this committee to go over every outstanding balance/project. Then put a rescission article in the STM, then the Annual would have the project listing so the money can be used immediately.

F. Bartholomew: What's a start date? When the shovel is in the ground or they get a permit, etc.

B. Johnson: The date it's voted in at Town Meeting. Will be a case by case basis.

A. Cooney: Think yearly on their anniversary date to come back and give us an update.

B. Johnson: Maybe start after Thanksgiving. Cape View Way, finally some movement there. Voted in 2007/08, there is \$187,104 remaining. Some was spent for engineering services.

Open Space committee will meet prior to us to review our projects.

R. Anderson made a Motion that going forward from tonight, our policy will be to bring back projects for an update annually on their anniversary date. The Motion was seconded by P. Myers with all in favor.

Vicky Carr, Commission on Disabilities: Submitted comments regarding the Monument Beach mats, Electric Beach boat ramp. Who do we talk to?

B. Johnson: Shore and Harbor and Recreation. We are the funding source but they implement.

R. Anderson made a MOTION to adjourn seconded by P. Holmes with all in favor.

With no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Gutterson