

TOWN OF YARMOUTH
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
July 8, 2009
FINAL

PRESENT: Curtis Sears, Tom Roche, Thomas Kelley, Jack Mulkeen, Gary Ellis, Gloria Smith

ABSENT: Mary Ann Walsh, Ed Blackman, Jim Carroll

STAFF: Jennifer Coutinho

LOCATION: Room A, Town Offices, 1146 Route 28, South Yarmouth, MA

Chairman Sears opened the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) meeting at 3:02 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Correspondence: The CPC received copies of the Housing Trust Request for Proposals to utilize \$300,000 for affordable housing projects. They also received a letter to Deputy Fire Chief Kelleher, which provided him with the plot plan for the community garden on Buck Island Road. They discussed the Cultural Center Educational Wing and the information that Town Counsel should receive when staff solicits an opinion.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Kelley moved to approve the May 4, 2009 meeting minutes as amended. Vice-Chairman Roche seconded. Vote 5-0-1 with Mr. Mulkeen abstaining as he was not present at the meeting.

Vice-Chairman Roche moved to approve the May 13, 2009 meeting minutes as amended. Mr. Mulkeen seconded. Vote 4-0-2 with Mr. Ellis and Ms. Smith abstaining as they were not present at the meeting.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Community Garden Forest Road: The CPC discussed the need to place a liner underneath the pea stone in the walkways to prevent weeds from growing. They also discussed the deer fencing and whether the plastic fencing material would be durable enough to last throughout the years.

Community Garden Buck Island Contract 2009-4: The CPC agreed to postpone approving the contract 2009-4 until the community garden at Forest Road is complete. They would also like clarification on the \$250.00 cost of seed.

Barnstable County Map Acquisition: After some discussion, the CPC decided not to move forward with acquiring a new Barnstable County map. The existing Barnstable County map will stay at Town Hall. Ms. Smith suggested that the Town move the plaque from the top of the frame to the side. Mr. Kelley suggested contacting the Massachusetts Historic Commission to obtain a list of preservation companies.

Update on Active Projects: The CPC reviewed the status report of the projects. Chairman Sears stated that his understanding is that the State's drainage project was delayed because of elevation inconsistencies. It was noted that the bid for the Cellar House should be issued now so that work could begin when the State finishes its portion of the project. They continued by discussing the Taylor-Bray Farmhouse rehabilitation project. Chairman Sears reported that Karen Greene is working on rebidding the project out again.

OTHER BUSINESS

Schedule Public Hearing: The CPC scheduled their annual public hearing for Sept. 21, 2009 at 7:00 pm. Staff will coordinate hearing materials and public outreach.

Route 28 Sewers: The CPC discussed Mr. Allaire's request to utilize Land Bank or CPA property for a pump station on Route 28 in West Yarmouth. While it is known that a pump station could be placed on Land Bank property through a Town Meeting vote and the Legislature, staff will research the possibility of placing a station on community preservation land.

NSTAR Land: Town Administrator Lawton is waiting for a response to a letter that he recently sent to NSTAR about land that they purchased off White Rock Road for a transformer station.

FY10 Selectmen Goals: The CPC received the Selectmen goals and discussed how their projects related to them. Staff will send a letter to the Selectmen in support of their goals. The CPC will continue to implement projects that meet the following selectmen goals:

1. Meet and monitor Motel clean-up progress
2. Continue implementation of Bluestone Group recommendations for Route 28
3. Purchase properties on Route 28 to create open space between economic centers
4. Support the Affordable Housing Action Plan
5. Prioritize CPA spending for affordable housing
6. Encourage the purchase and resale of existing housing for affordable housing
7. Support implementation of plans for Bass River area and Packet Landing
8. Continue support for Town's historic properties

Ready Renter List: Vice-Chairman Roche mentioned the need for the Town to develop a ready-renter list so that they can identify the rental needs with respect to several future rental projects on Route 28.

ADJOURN

As there was no further business, Vice-Chairman Roche moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:38 p.m. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Coutinho, CPA Coordinator

Mary Ann Walsh, Clerk