

9Town of Maynard

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Wednesday, January 14, 2008– in the Maynard Recreation Office, Town Hall

Chair Doug Moore called the meeting to order at 7:14 pm

Members present: Jane Audrey-Neuhauser, clerk; Peg Brown; Mike Chambers; Robert Horn; Dave Hull, Vice Chair; Rick Lefferts, Treasurer Bob Moore; Doug Moore, Chair

Members absent: None. There is currently no representative from the Planning Board

Also in attendance: Dave Griffin, Dan Caldicott, and Steve Jones

MINUTES from the 12/10/2008 meeting were approved as distributed.

• STATUS OF EXISTING PROJECTS—

Coolidge School Study – Invoice payment to Tappe company has been signed by CPC members and sent to the Town Accountant for payment. The final invoice was signed at the meeting and will be forwarded.

Dr. Masterson reported that the CPC report has received a copy of the report from the Tappe Company. However, we do not have a copy and Jane will ask for a copy.

Irrigation at Crowe Park – supposedly the project is completed and lines were blown out, but there appears to be some settling & ditches. We will know in the spring.

Irrigation at Alumni Field – supposedly the project is completed and lines were blown out, but there appears to be some settling & ditches. We will know in the spring.

Veteran's Memorial – It appears that, as yet, no major work has been done on the repairs but it looks as though some cleaning of the face has been done.

Community Housing Trust – We would like Rick Lefferts to contact Jack McKeene to determine what is happening with the Trust. There has been a request for members but we do not know what the response has been.

• NEW PROPOSALS –

* Dave Griffin on the Historical Society request

Purpose of the survey is NOT to catalog each individual item but more of a general overview of what would be required to preserve the collection as a whole.

Those items which the Historical Society determines to be of critical value will be reviewed specifically. Having a professional assess the collection and its state of preservation or lack thereof to provide evidence for grant requests, etc. It will also help the Society to prioritize the importance of items in the collection.

The \$2,000 triage account would be used to take immediate action on any items that the survey indicates would need essential care right away. This would also provide for some storage materials to preserve items in the short term.

Over the years, (30 or more!) the collection has been stuffed in a very inadequate storage space with no climate control and two floods.

Peg Brown moved to increase the \$2,000 triage account in the proposal to \$5,000.

The motion passed.

**** Dan Caldicott and Steve Jones on the Fowler Irrigation request**

Dr. Masterson is reticent about getting very involved in the project. They are going to be working with John Curran on that. It is likely that the design and oversight would also have to go out to bid. The proponents were instructed to have a significant town sponsor by the CPC meeting on Feb. 11th

There is also a question about whether enlargements to the school may impact the fields. This is still unresolved. Peg recalls that the original design for the school included an option for the addition of a third wing without impacting the surroundings. The estimate is that it might take two years for the feasibility study to be completed and have the Town would vote on decisions.

The proponents are eager to “lock in” the funds now while they are still available.

John Curran does not believe that in the future the school dept. will be required to pay for the water for irrigation. The usage would be metered to determine usage but not for water charges.

OS003-09 – Open Space Plan Update – \$3,500 -- Doug Moore

Linda Hansen has increased the request to \$3,500.

OS005-09 – Conservation Fund Support – \$10,000 -- Doug Moore

Cons Com is satisfied with the original amount.

HR004-09 – Historic Mural – \$4,200 -- Bob Horn

There appears to be no money in the budget for installation hardware or lighting.

The proponent did come to the Historical Commission for sponsorship but they were not ready to give approval until there was a more definite plan and a “wall”.

It was mentioned that the Maynard Cultural Council would be another source of funds.

HR005-09 – Rock Wall Preservation – \$37,640 -- Dave Hull

There was the general impression that this project would receive much support in town.

There was concern that there is no “contingency” amount in the budget.

HR006-09 – Glenwood Cemetery GPR Survey -- \$3,000 – Peg Brown

The application is very thorough and certainly meets the criteria of historic preservation.

HR007-09 – Walk Maynard Historic Tour -- \$2,000

It was suggested that the tour also be available on the town website so that people could download it on to their own MP3 players. It could be a link off of the Historical Society blog.

There have been instances of CPA funds being used for similar type projects.

HR009-09 – Waltham Street Bridge Lighting -- \$19,000 – Doug Moore

It is hoped that an allowance for the originally proposed state-funded lighting would be part of the contract & bidding process and that the contractors would be in charge of the installation.

* HR010-09 – Historic Artifact Cataloging -- \$ 9,375.31 – Rick Lefferts

See Dave Griffin’s comments and following discussion above.

**REC009-09 – Fowler School Irrigation -- \$70,000 – Mike Chamber

See comments above.

There are still many questions about this proposal

TIMELINE of meetings:

- Jan. 28 – Financial Issues – balances in each “bucket” and projected future funds
Work on the Annual Report, preliminary discussion of proposals.
Bob Moore will take minutes in Jane’s absence.
- Feb. 11 – Final vote on proposals and beginning work on Warrant Article Wording
- Feb. 25 --

REVISED CPC PLAN

Copies of both parts of the revised CPA plan, which Peg Brown developed, had been distributed to the CPC members. They were asked to review it and send comments to Peg. The format and content looks quite good. Peg made a final request for comments so that she can finish the report within the next month

ANNUAL REPORT should be part of the CPA Plan as a third section.
There is also a need for an ANNUAL REPORT for the TOWN REPORT.

Information from Stuart Saginor on Development Restrictions and who can submit proposals.

Private organizations can propose projects on town property, but they need a Town entity to sponsor the proposal and be responsible for contracting, etc.
Purchasing development rights would also be an appropriate use of CPA funds.

• FINANCIAL ISSUES –

There were questions about how much money is in each of our category funds and how much we can expect to have available for projects for this Town Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Audrey-Neuhauser, Clerk

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Wednesday, January 28, 2009 7:00pm Rm. 101 Town Hall.
Wednesday, February 11, 2009 7:00pm Rm. 101 Town Hall.
Wednesday, February 25, 2009 7:00pm Rm. 101 Town Hall.

*** It was decided during the 12/10/08 meeting that it is VERY IMPORTANT for CPC members to notify the Chair if they are unable to attend the meeting. If we do not have a quorum, the remaining members may decide not to meet.