

Community Preservation Committee Minutes

September 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:11 p.m.

Present: Nancy Bachmann, Linda Leduc, Alex Loss, Peg Louraine, Megan Manitsas, Jim Natle, Eric Vojtowicz

I. Bills to sign off on:

1. Grantham Group - \$238,000 (Affordable Housing)
2. HAP (now called Wayfinders) – 2 @ \$5,750.00 = \$11,500.00
3. Holy Cow Online Marketing - \$23.10 (work on website)
4. Annual Dues for CPC Coalition - \$875.00
5. Belchertown Historical Association - \$10,250.00 Rhinoshield work

II. Linda L. will add “Bills” to future agendas.

Jim worked with Everett Acres regarding \$8,000.00 for prep work on their window project (The \$8,000.00 is a previously paid bill)

Our new Selectmen Liaison is Gail Gramarossa.

At the regular Board of Selectmen meeting on June 12, 2018, Linda Leduc was reappointed to the CPC for a term expiring 6/30/21.

Judy Healy has resigned from her at-large seat on the CPC. General discussion about finding a new candidate. We hope Jim Natle can resign as Planning Board rep and be appointed as at-large member. He will notify the BOS of Judy’s resignation and talk with Planning Board about appointing another member.

Minutes of February 20, 2018 meeting were approved 5-0-2; minutes of May 29, 2018 meeting were approved 4-0-3. We are up to date on all minutes now.

III. Project Updates

The Belchertown Historical Association has prepped the schoolhouse and the Sentinel building for Rhinoshield application. Chimney must be completed before roof, siding, windows, and door can be installed.

The Veterans are waiting for the Gazebo restoration to be completed before the new sound system can be installed.

Work is ongoing for the DPW cemeteries boundaries.

Wilbur will report on Recreation Department projects at our October 2 meeting.

Nancy will update on Everett Acres windows at our October 2 meeting. General discussion of future projects from the Housing Authority. We cannot grant funds for maintenance projects.

General discussion of Lake Wallace Trail project. Other projects are planning to cooperate and make a system of trails on State School and NESFI properties.

IV. Budget

Jim will reach out to Erica at the Conservation Commission regarding three Con Comm projects with outstanding balances (Kestrel Trust Restriction Enforcement balance: \$2,100.00; Holland Glen: \$10,484.61; Mader Land Purchase: \$5,406.00)

Linda will check with Steve Williams at DPW re: \$4675.00 balance on Town Clock project (Alex reported that there are structural issues in the steeple which may make chimes hazardous).

Jim will check with Jay Whelihan (Town Assessor) re: \$464.64 balance on tax records digitization project.

Linda will check with Steve Williams at DPW re: \$33,095.00 balance on Parsons Field project.

Wilbur will be asked to check on balances in Rec Department's projects.

V. General

Belchertown Land Trust is looking into further work on the Rec Path. We have a balance of \$9,540.00 which is dedicated to the Rec Path only. They may want to find a project to make use of those funds.

Linda asked about FY19 projects. She has finished CP3 update and will bring it for discussion at October 2 meeting.

DPW is researching original streetlights around the Common. We might be able to help with a project to recreate those lights using LED technology.

FY20 funds will be released to us in mid-October.

Motion to adjourn (Peg); second, Alex. Adjourned 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Louraine, member