January 15, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present:  Jim Natle, Linda Leduc, Megan Maintsas, Eric Wojtowicz, Peg Louraine, Nancy Delgado Bachmann, Alex Loss, Michael Hofler, Wilbur Quirk

Bills:

We did not have any bills to sign off on.

Appointments:

Jim Natle is an at large member and Chairman of the group.

Linda Leduc was reappointed as Vice Chairman.

Wilbur Quirk is now the clerk and he will take all of the meeting minutes and forward all of the approved minutes to the Town Clerk’s office.

Parsons is the only bonding project right now. $62,500 is the principal and $5,000 is for the interest that will be taken from the CPC fund this year.

A discussion on the Mader land purchase occurred. Since they have leftover money in their CPC project, can this money be used for a complete survey?? The CPC group says yes as it is part of the entire project.

Current projects:

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- Is it on lot 46, lot 48, or both lots per the assessors map?
- We need letters of support from Gary Broughman, Kyle Thibault, and other members of the town.
- The committee had an issue with the verbiage of calling it “phase 2”. The FOTR (Friends of the Rec) group is sponsoring this grant. The grant is basically for expenses for the back 9 of the disc golf course. A grant last year paid for the architect work and 9 baskets for the front holes.
- The committee wants to know if we will have programs in place.
- The committee wants to know if Kyle talked to the abutters already.
- Michael will ask Kyle for a support letter.
• We need a better map of the holes. Wilbur will bring it in.

Project
Mt. Hope Cemetery
#1 Gravestone Restoration Wilbur

• The committee needs the assessors information filled out. Wilbur will take care of this.

Project
First Time Homebuyer
#2 Workshop and Down Payment assistance program Megan

• The committee was looking for letters of support. We might ask for letters of support from prior clients.
• Are there other sources for funding? The discussion headed towards no to this question as this is a very unique program and it wouldn’t fall under other funding sources.
• We cannot reallocate from the other program that is open. They need to pay back on the 80% median income program first. There is 17k left over. They can now ask for the entire program amount of 37k for their 100% median income program.

Project
Hope United Methodist Church Emergency power backup generator Peg

• This does not meet the CPA guidelines so it cannot be funded.
• Peg will reach out to the applicant to tell them that the grant is voided.

Project
#4 Dubois Forest 39.7 acres Eric South Gulf Road

• This is for the first phase 1 of 2 phases. The total project is roughly 80 acres.
• Page 5 says “additional private grant applications will offset any CPC grant money”. If that happens, will money come back to the CPC group?
Project #6 Lake Wallace Sensory Trail - Phase #1 Alex

- The EDIC just gave $9,333 to this project
- Peg had an issue with the “connection to Christopher Heights” and how this project relates to Christopher Heights.
- We have no estimates but they did have this information on the grant request last year.
- We would like a reason for the $75k amount that they are asking for.
- A one page summary sheet would be nice outlining the construction costs.

Project #7 Cold Spring School Playground Handicap access ramp Wilbur

- The committee questioned why this would not come out of the school department funds.
- We do not think this qualifies under the CPA guidelines.

Project #8 Beaver Management plan for Lake Arcadia, Lake Metacomet, and Holland Pond Linda

- Questions arose about the actual funds needed and the actual work that was being done.
- Linda wanted to know what the Beaver Control plan was.
- Questions arose about exactly what does the DPW do with the beaver control problem.
- Linda asked who will remove the debris from Channel Drive.
- Linda questioned why only 2 years of maintenance is budgeted if the devices are good for 10 years.
- Linda questioned the “worry free guarantee” and exactly what services are provided at “no additional cost

The two page email from Linda and Leeanne Connelly will be attached as part of these minutes.

Project #9 Belchertown Fair Building Nancy

- This is a very questionable project as the building is used only for the Belchertown Fair.
- Does it qualify under recreation or historical?
Project #10
Cemetery Field Work - Setting Bounds, Pins & Stakes
Peg

- The numbers have changed to $10,650 (total expense) and $500 for the cost share portion.

Project #11
Belchertown United Church of Christ Elevator
Jim
18 Park Street

- Everyone thinks this is a great application.
- They tried for an additional outside grant but it was disqualified.
- The land is owned by the town.
- Jim will reach out to Stuart at the CPA Coalition department on the church vs. state issue.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Peg to approve the December 4th minutes and Eric seconded the motion. Everyone approved the minutes.

A motion was made by Peg to approve the December 18th minutes and Eric seconded the motion. Everyone approved the minutes with one stated correction.

A motion was made by Peg to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. Alex seconded the motion.

Our next meeting will be on January 29, 2019.