

Minutes of joint meeting of Community Preservation Service and Board of Selectmen, March 15, 2011

Approved March 23, 2011

Present: CPC members: Sean Conley, Glenn Hearn, Dale Julier, Susan Phelps, Jonathan Revere, Peter Rodegast; Tony Nevin, Admin. Asst.

BOS: Richard Knabel, Skipper Manter, Cindy Mitchell; Jen Rand, Exec. Sec.

Kathy Logue, Treasurer; Ron Rappaport, Town Counsel

A quorum being present, Glenn called the meeting to order at 10:35 and asked Ron to address the uses of CPA funds for acquisition of the Maley property. Ron said that he had spoken with Kathleen Colleary, chief of the Department of Revenue, and that she had stated that open space funds could be used for the Maley property as preservation of a scenic vista and land for recreation. Tony pointed out a contradiction with Section 6 of the CPA legislation, which requires that 10% of CPA funds received be set aside for open space before expenditure for land for recreation. Ron departed after saying that he will review the issue with Colleary.

Cindy presented an Application for Eligibility, proposing that the total cost of \$510,000 be funded by \$275,000 from the open space reserve; \$35,000 from the undesignated reserve; \$40,000 from anticipated open space reserve for FY 2012; and \$40,000 per year for four years from anticipated open space reserve to support debt service. No historical resource funds will be used; therefore, no historic certification by the Historic District Commission will be required. Tony described the effect of these allocations on the overall CPA budget and showed that substantial undesignated reserves will remain after covering anticipated requests in FY 2012. The CPC discussed the proposal with the Selectmen, raised questions, and clarified issues relating to the gallery on the Maley property.

There was an open discussion with the Selectmen about the order of CPA-related warrant articles. Richard called the Selectmen's meeting to order, and the Selectmen voted to place the article to reduce the CPA surcharge after the articles appropriating CPA funds.

In light of the earlier discussion, Jonathan moved that the proposal was eligible for CPA funds, Sean seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Then, construing the proposal as an application for funding, Jonathan moved that the proposal be funded, Sean seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Jen reported that Kristina West will not need more than \$10,000 for the preservation of historic property records. Accordingly, Sean moved that the relevant warrant article be revised to appropriate \$10,000 from historic resources and nothing from undesignated reserves, Peter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the joint meeting with the Selectmen on March 9 were reviewed and approved unanimously. The next CPC meeting will be on March 23.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Nevin
Admin. Asst.