

## CPC Meeting Minutes – December 16, 2009

### **The Community Preservation Committee met in the NRC Meeting Room, Town Hall, on December 16, 2009 at 8pm.**

Present were Joan Gaughan, Tony Parker, Kara Cicchetti, Rose Mary Donahue, Allan Port, Jack Morgan, Jim Conlin, Stephen Murphy and Susan Minio, (CPC administrative assistant).

Absent: Bob Goldkamp

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm.

No citizens spoke at Citizen Speak.

Tony Parker moved to approve the minutes from November 12<sup>th</sup> December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was seconded by Stephen Murphy.

All in Favor: Joan Gaughan, Tony Parker, Kara Cicchetti, Rose Mary Donahue, Allan Port, Jack Morgan, Jim Conlin, and Stephen Murphy

All opposed: none

Absent: Bob Goldkamp

### **Invoices**

#### **Invoice for Kathy Broomer**

The Chair circulated for discussion and approval an invoice for \$5,000 for ongoing work by Kathleen Broomer, the consultant for the WHC inventory pre study approved last year.

#### **Invoices for WHDC**

The WHDC sent in two invoices which they had already paid for \$2150.28 and \$2,849.65 to ECP Enterprises to complete payment for the database project approved in prior years. The Chair had circulated the invoices to the Committee previously. Separately, the WHDC would like to use the remainder of the money appropriated to update the database. This request was taken under advisement and will be discussed at a future meeting.

Stephen Murphy moved to approve the three invoices put before the committee for payment and the motion was seconded by Tony Parker.

All in favor: Joan Gaughan, Tony Parker, Kara Cicchetti, Rose Mary Donahue, Allan Port, Jack Morgan, Jim Conlin, and Stephen Murphy

All opposed: none

Absent: Bob Goldkamp

### **Planning for January, including Fuller Brook project and public meeting**

There was a brief discussion surrounding the meeting schedule for January. The CPC has meetings scheduled for January 13<sup>th</sup> and January 27<sup>th</sup>. It was decided that the Public

Hearing would be scheduled for Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of January. It is likely that the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> will be cancelled. Susan Minio is to update the Town schedule and book a room for the Public Hearing.

### **Update on NRC**

After meetings between with Katherine L. Babson Jr., Vice Chair of the Board of Selectmen and others, the NRC has agreed to convene a cross functional team to discuss the project and build a consensus. The steering committee will help them put together an action plan and a proposal for ATM. CPC will come back to the discussion once the NRC and the team present the new plan.

### **Tax Surcharge Discussion**

Allan Port reported on the meeting he and the Chair had with Hans Larsen, Executive Director, and Barbara Searle, Chair, Board of Selectmen, regarding a potential tax surcharge increase, including the potential connection with Senate Bill 90. If SB90 passes there was strong support for bringing forth the surcharge increase proposal.

At 8:45PM, the CPC meeting adjourned and the CPC met with Advisory.

Jack Morgan gave a brief history of the CPC, an outline of current proposed projects, and an overview of the possible tax surcharge.

Advisory had a brief conversation around the current surcharge and the State match. Jack Morgan is to supply Advisory a listing of comparative Towns that have adopted the CPA funding and which ones are getting a 3% match. In addition, Advisory would like a short report on what the Town should be spending funding on for CPA funds. Beyond the surcharge question, Advisory had a number of questions surrounding the Fuller Brook project.

The CPC the reconvened to discuss a possible surtax increase Warrant Article

After further discussion, Allan Port moved to authorize the Chair under his discretion to include in the Warrant for the 2010 Annual Town Meeting an Article to for an increase in the CPA surcharge.

Stephen Murphy seconded the motion.

All in favor: Joan Gaughan, Tony Parker, Kara Cicchetti, Rose Mary Donahue, Allan Port, Jack Morgan, Jim Conlin, Stephen Murphy

All opposed: none

Absent: Bob Goldkamp

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 by the Chair.