

TOWN OF STOW
Community Preservation Committee

Minutes, September 24, 2018

Community Preservation Committee Meeting

Community Preservation Committee members present: Cortni Frecha (chair), Bill Byron (vice chair), Andy Crosby, Atli Thorarensen, Bob Larkin, John Colonna-Romano

Not present: Vin Antil, Mike Busch

Admin. Assistant: Krista Bracci

The meeting began with a quorum at 7:31 pm

MINUTES

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2018, Atli seconded. The vote was 5 – 0, with Bill abstaining.

INVOICES

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve an invoice for \$11.75 that will reimburse Krista Bracci for a shipping fee (Admin Account - postage), Cortni seconded. The vote was unanimous.

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve invoice #3380-1 from Viking Moving Services, Inc. for \$610.00 (Library Restoration Account), Andy seconded. The vote was unanimous.

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve an invoice from Gatehouse Media for \$73.44 (Town Hall Improvement account), Atli seconded. The vote was unanimous.

LIBRARY APPLICATION DISCUSSION (Cleaning of Marble Slabs)

Discussion and comments from committee members. The statements were based on the project presentation that was given at the last CPC meeting.

- Andy informed the members that the project will be presented to the Historical Commission next week. There is some initial concern amongst the members that cleaning the marble would damage the slabs. They need to look into how reputable the person doing the cleaning is and research some of his previous work.
- Atli reminded the members that this individual was recommended by the Architect working on the library renovation. He also mentioned that a decision cannot be made until we hear a report from the Historical Commission.
- John was questioning how old the slabs were. They are from the 1800's – Revolutionary and Civil War names can be found on the slabs.

BROOKSIDE ROAD WALL RESTORATION (2019 ATM Project Proposal)

G.H. Gledhill from the Cemetery Committee – no application submitted at this time
Krista supplied a few photos of the wall that she took when she met with G.H.

G.H. told the committee that this is the perfect time to restore the wall since Carver Hill has moved its pressing operations off site. There will be less traffic on the road to allow work crews to get the job done. The wall has holes where rocks are missing and caps have become dislodged due to three factors: chipmunks, water running down the hill and people who have stolen rocks that have fallen. G.H. recently cleared the leaves on the side of the hill and new vegetation is growing. A quick fix is not an option now due to the new OSHA laws coming into place. He would prefer to fix it the right way so that it will last for 25 – 50 years. The cost may be able to be cut down by utilizing some existing stones he has. The request is for repairing the wall, putting in drainage and to work on the embankment so that it is secure. There are companies that do prefab walls and then use a crane to put them in place. G.H. has no bid yet and realizes that engineering may be needed. He is meeting with the Historical Commission soon and then may come back to CPC with an application for design funds. Cortni suggested maybe the CPC could approve some of the admin funds. Atli and Bob feel that some of this project may be the Town's responsibility. Andy is not sure that the Historical Commission will be on board with this project. G.H. is going to get back to Krista if he is going to move forward with this project and at that time will submit an application.

PROJECT UPDATES

Town Building Committee: Andy mentioned things were moving forward and looking good. The committees is meeting with three different architects soon and have come up with some questions to ask them. The companies they are meeting with are listed below. They are going to be asking how to bring the building up to code and still retain its historical feel. They also want to explore how to make the building more energy efficient/green. They also need to explore if there are potential waivers for building codes because the building is historical.

1. CBI
2. McKinnel, McKinnel & Taylor
3. Spenser Sullivan

NEWS & VIEWS

Bill informed Krista that he was reappointed. Krista is going to check with the Town Clerk office to see if they received his letter.

MEETING SCHEDULE

October 15th

November 5th

November 19th

Bob made a motion to adjourn at 8:24 pm, Atli seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by: Krista Bracci

