

TOWN OF STOW
Community Preservation Committee

Minutes, June 8, 2020

Community Preservation Committee Virtual Zoom Meeting

Community Preservation Committee members present: Vin Antil (chair), Andy Crosby (vice chair), Mike Busch, Erica Benedick, Bob Larkin, Roger Zimmerman, John Colonna-Romano, Ingeborg Clark

Community Preservation Committee members not present: Gary Yu

Other Attendees: Kathy Sferra, Ed DeLuca

Admin. Assistant: Krista Bracci

The meeting began with a quorum at 7:03 pm

THE CPC ENTERED INTO A PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:06 PM

Called to order by Vin Antil (CPC Chair)

Purpose: To hear feedback on CPA funding priorities and to review the Community Preservation Plan (required by the CPA statute on an annual basis).

Comment from Vin: the CPC was late conducting the Public Hearing this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Vin mentioned having the next hearing much earlier, possibly in the Fall of 2020.

Discussion:

- Kathy Sferra supplied prior to the meeting two emails of suggested changes/additions to the CP Plan.
 1. A list of seven items to be added to page 13. They should be labeled under the following title: Future Open Space Projects. These were approved by the Stow Conservation Commission on 6/2/20.
 2. A list of 4 items she felt personally should be added/changed to the plan.

CPC Recap: the decision was made to add the section that was approved by the Conservation Commission and to incorporate some of the other four suggestions made by Kathy.

- Ed DeLuca suggested adding the Town Meeting approval date to all the projects in table #3

CPC Recap: the decision was to hold off until the next revision of the plan to add the town meeting dates to all the projects listed in table #3.

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve the Stow Community Preservation Plan as amended (7 Conservation Commission items), Andy seconded. A roll call was taken and the motion passed:

Bob	Yes
Erica	Yes
John	Yes
Roger	Yes

Mike	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Andy	Yes
Vin	Yes

VOTE: Ingeborg made a motion to approve the final changes suggested by Kathy Sferra to the Stow Community Preservation Plan as amended (as of date added, table #2 title change, more project name details on table #3, sentence added to page #6), Bob seconded. A roll call was taken and the motion passed:

Bob	Yes
Erica	Yes
John	Yes
Mike	Yes
Roger	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Andy	Yes
Vin	Yes

Action Items:

- Krista will make all the revisions to the plan and give Vin and Kathy a copy to review.
- Once Vin and Kathy have approved the changes the plan will be sent out to the CPC members and posted on the CPC website for the public.

VIN ENDED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ENTERED INTO THE CPC REGULAR MEETING AT 7:35 PM

MINUTES

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2020 as amended, Erica seconded. A roll call was taken and the motion passed:

Bob	Yes
Erica	Yes
John	Yes
Mike	Yes
Roger	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Andy	Yes
Vin	Yes

INVOICES

VOTE: Bob made a motion to approve an invoice from W.B. Mason totaling \$28.04 (supplies account), Erica seconded. A roll call was taken and the motion passed:

Bob	Yes
Andy	Yes
Erica	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Mike	Yes

John	Yes
Roger	Yes
Vin	Yes

VOTE: Ingeborg made a motion to approve an invoice from The Independent Press, LLC totaling \$100.00 (advertising account), Roger seconded. A roll call was taken and the motion passed:

Bob	Yes
Andy	Yes
Erica	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Mike	Yes
John	Yes
Roger	Yes
Vin	Yes

TOWN MEETING DISCUSSION/PREPERATION

- Ed Deluca mentioned that an email was just sent indicating the STOWS meeting will be held on this Thursday evening (Town Meeting Prep Meeting). The meeting will also be a time for attendees to discuss the possible date/location change of Town Meeting. Both Vin and Krista will attend the meeting for the CPC. Andy also mentioned he planned to attend as well.
- Krista informed the CPC that the Finance Committee's recommendation for article # 53 was wrong. This was confirmed by Erica. Passage of this article will not increase expenditures.
- Andy confirmed that he will be doing the presentation for the Town Building article.
- Vin will reach out to Mike K from SMAHT to see if he will be doing presentations on both of his articles.
- Krista will follow up regarding the Track Road article and the Playground article to find out if presentations are needed and if yes, who will be doing them.
- Krista will provide Vin with the account balances prior to Town Meeting.
- Vin will present the CPC balances at ATM and Andy mentioned he will be there to help if questions arise on any of the articles.

PROJECT UPDATES

None were given.

NEWS & VIEWS

Vin mentioned to the members that has recently spoken to Mark Jones (ZBA), Bill Byron (ZBA), Greg Jones (Stow Elderly Housing Corporation) and also the CPA Coalition. There were a number of questions that came up pertaining to the house that is part of the Plantation II project that is in litigation right now. One of the questions that came up is who would hold the restriction? Bob told the committee that the holder would be the Town of Stow, similar to the Pilot Grove development. Another question came up on if the house itself was restricted to affordable housing only? Vin told the members that most likely no, since it was not purchased with CPA funds. He also went on to say that as long as CPA funds were only used on the new units, he believed the house would remain unrestricted.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, July 13th at 7:00 pm

Erica made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 pm, Roger seconded, the vote was unanimous and a roll call was taken.

Bob	Yes
Andy	Yes
Ingeborg	Yes
Mike	Yes
Erica	Yes
John	Yes
Roger	Yes
Vin	Yes

Respectfully submitted by: Krista Bracci