

WRENTHAM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Meeting of Wednesday, January 27, 2021

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There was no in-person attendance at this virtual meeting.

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Present: Chair Scott Manchuso, Vice Chair Mark Cuddy, Clerk Robin McDonald, Chuck Woodhams arrived at 7:15 pm, Leo Immonen, Alan Richard and Heather Ledbetter – Administrative Assistant. Jane D'Amico, Steve Langley did not attend. At 7:06 pm Mr. Manchuso, Chair called the meeting to order.

- **Call to Order**
- **CPC Plan Discussion** – Mr. Manchuso presented a draft CPC plan to the Committee and asked for comments and suggestions. He said that Ms. D'Amico had previously provided some edits to the recreation portion. Mr. Richard said that he and Ashley Vincent, Director from Housing had looked at the document and approved the Housing section. Ms. McDonald asked who is the audience for this document? She suggested that information on who can apply should be a part of the document. She also asked if the Town Masterplan document should be included as part of this CPC Plan? Mr. Immonen said that this Plan should be a living document, which can be updated annually. Mr. Manchuso mentioned that there may be some interest in the Town for a Housing Trust. He questioned how the CPC would interact with a Trust and more research will be necessary. Mr. Immonen asked if Housing Trusts have been supported in other Towns with CPA funds? Mr. Manchuso said that this has been supported in other Towns – the Town of Grafton being one example.
- **Project Discussion** – Mr. Manchuso mentioned that the Friends of the Eagle Dam have reached out to express interest in getting funding to save the dam. The Town Planner Rachel Benson told Mr. Manchuso that the dam is located on Town property. Mr. Woodhams said that there are varying accounts of the historical information on the dam. Mr. Immonen suggested that this project may need to be fleshed out more before CPC funds are requested.
- **CPC Admin Items** - Mr. Manchuso would like to offer the CPC Plan to the Select Board for review and have the Plan ready for the Annual meeting in March.
 1. Application Part 1 – Eligibility – due by May 15th
 2. Application Part 2 – Funding – due by June 15th
 3. Project presentations - July/August
 4. CPC vote on projects - September

Mr. Leonard has resigned from the CPC and a new member of the CPC from the Historical Commission will be appointed to the CPC. Mr. Manchuso described the type signs or plaques for mounting on all CPC funded projects that he would like to propose to the Committee. Ms.

McDonald asked if perhaps the playground vendor could offer a sign which would match the playground materials. Mr. Manchuso will look into this possibility.

Mr. Woodhams suggested the sign read "paid for in part by the citizens of Wrentham through the Community Preservation Act".

- **Minutes of 9/30/20 Meeting** - Mr. Woodhams made a motion to accept the minutes as amended which was seconded and passed 6-0-0.

A roll call was used for each vote in the meeting.

Mr. Cuddy made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm which was seconded and unanimously approved 6-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Ledbetter, Administrative Assistant.

Next Community Preservation Committee Meeting Date: February 24, 2021