Marshfield Community Preservation Committee

Open Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2015

CPC Members in Attendance: Tim Russo, Tom Whalen, Mike Bilas, Michele Campion, Kevin Cantwell, Kerry Richardson

Attendance: Don MacAleer, Chris Calos, Linda Cincotti, Steve Robbins, Bert O'Donnell, Roger Whidden, Matt McDonough

MOTION: Tim Russo made a motion to open the meeting at 7:00 p.m., second Tom Whalen.

1. Minutes to Approve.

MOTION: Mike Bilas made a motion to approve the Executive Session and Open Meeting Minutes from July 8, 2015. Second by Kevin Cantwell. All yes. Abstain: Kerry Richardson. Minutes approved.

2. Trails Study.

- Kerry Richardson thanked Michele Campion for all her hard work managing the project.
- Michele Campion said BL Companies submitted a bid for \$32,000 and Weston & Sampson for \$45,000. Mike Bilas said both companies did very well and the only major difference is cost.
- Michele Campion said BL leads on references from other towns with regard to responsiveness and end product.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to approve a Trails Study with BL Companies for \$32,000. Michele Campion second. All yes. Trails study motion approved.

- Mike Bilas introduced the members of the Trails Committee in attendance.
- Michelle Campion will get in touch with the companies and manage the contract.

3. COA Update

- Tim Russo updated the CPC on his meetings with COA and MYB, and Weston and Sampson.
- Tim Russo said they decided to go with two surveys, one for baseball and one for senior center although they are about 90 percent identical.
- Tim Russo said they will wait for the results of the survey before submitting a third and final plan for the CPC to vote on. It will take three weeks for feedback.

4. Land Conservation

- Administrator Carolyn Shanley introduced basic information on establishing a Land Conservation Fund for open space acquisitions, similar to what is currently in place in Duxbury.
- CPC members expressed interest but also concerns about how the fund would be perceived at Town Meeting and whether it is necessary.

5. Project Closing Status

• Administrator Carolyn Shanley said she has confirmation for several projects that can be closed out but is still waiting to find out if conservation restrictions will be placed on at least three properties purchased with CPA funds.

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6. Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for September 9 and will move back to Seth Ventress.
- Tom Whalen asked that the Hatch Mill be put on the agenda to provide an update and make a possible decision on continued funding.

MOTION: Kerry Richardson made a motion to adjourn the Open Meeting at 7:34 p.m. Second by Tom Whalen. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Shanley