

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2015

Hearing Room 2, Town Hall

Attendance: Jack Braithwaite, Dean Copeland, Chris Cunio, Ned Bangs, Barry Cornwall, Steve DeCastro, Joe Chetwick, Bill Powell, Jack Clancy.

CPC Members in attendance: Tom Whalen, Kevin Cantwell, Tim Russo, Michele Campion, Brian Wall.

Absent: Mike Baird, Kerry Richardson.

1. Brian Wall called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
Nothing to report for Open Space Update or Affordable Housing updates.
2. Historical Update. Michele Campion reported the Daniel Webster Law Office will move by the end of May.
3. March minutes.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Tom Whalen second. All votes yes. Minutes approved.

4. Trails Study Discussion and Vote

- Brian Wall discussed the proposal he has requested from several firms to develop a plan for the nature trails in Marshfield.
- Tom Whalen said there are working groups in the town to do the work if this doesn't work out.
- Brian Wall said CPC controls this and he wants to pay for it this fiscal year.

MOTION: Tim Russo made a motion to approve funding for a Trails Study not to exceed \$49,000. Michele Campion second. VOTE: Brian Wall, yes, Tim Russo, yes, Kevin Cantwell, yes, Michele Campion, yes, Tom Whalen, no. Funding of the study approved.

5. Skatepark Presentation

- Chris Cunio provided an update on the Skatepark Group's plans and said he hopes to break ground by August 2015.
- Chris Cunio said they discussed adding a sandbox for younger kids but decided against that, and Ned Bangs wants a synthetic rock like they have at Coast Guard Hill which will have its own fundraising.
- Chris Cunio said they already have some naming obligations in place including Quirk, Roche Brothers, CPC.

- Ned Bangs said they decided on the rock because it allows for more interactive play without standing in lines etc.
- Tom Whalen asked how deep the new skateboard bowls will be and Chris Cunio said the expert one will be about 6-7 feet.
- Tim Russo asked about water bubblers and Ned Bangs said they are not necessary anymore as everyone uses water bottles.
- Ned Bangs said there is going to be a shade shelter on the Dairy Queen side, and trees on the Tumblefun side.
- Ned Bangs said it is not necessary to have anyone their regulating use as it works better letting the kids figure it out as they have in the past.
- Tim Russo recommended adding a painted crosswalk to Dairy Queen and Ned Bangs will discuss with Safety Officer.
- Chris Cunio said Greg Guimond recommended the shade shelter look like a train stop as that is an original site on the railroad.
- Ned Bangs said they will discuss the lighting with NSTAR and a security camera is already in place.
- Chris Cunio said Pembroke was not successful at getting support for a new skatepark and might be interested in the parts of the old skatepark Marshfield is taking out.

6. Hatch Mill Update

- Dean Copeland provided an overview of the Hatch Mill project work to date and discussed getting a two month extension on the grant for MLB Construction to finish the work.
- Dean Copeland said they are more than half way through the funding and work and the rest will go quickly, they were held up by the winter.
- Dean Copeland said they are restoring the mill back to 1812 and using the up and down saw with no circular saw use.
- Bill Powell said when the work is done and if it is kept fairly dry it should last for another 500 years.
- Dean Copeland said they would like to have power inside the building for visitors but it would have to be hidden. He visited two similar mills in CT to see how they operate the up and down saw mill.
- Dean Copeland said they would like to be open to the public at least two Saturdays a month but it will depend on the water supply.
- Dean Copeland said it should all be completed by August and nothing has gone over budget.
- Barry Cornwall said there are three more phases beyond this part of the project: reconstruction of the saw, dredging the pond and setting up the parking area.
- Dean Copeland said they met with conservation and will leave the pond lower than its operating level.
- Barry Cornwall said the Hatch Mill is on the Historic Register as part of a district with the Red House so there are strict requirements that go with that distinction. Barry Cornwall said they

would never get permission to build a dam on wetlands today but they are using original timber for everything, nothing is a reproduction.

- Michele Campion said the Historic Commission supports this project.
- Brian Wall asked if they will take time off when this phase is complete. Dean Copeland said they don't want to but money may force them to. They will begin focusing on attracting donors and corporate grants, as well as education opportunities and grants.
- Brian Wall said he will let them know when the vote is going to be to extend the agreement.
- Barry Cornwall said Hatch Mill is the last standing water powered saw mill in the Northeastern US. It is extra special.
- Tom Whalen said CPC should hold off on a vote on the Hatch Mill extension because it's a manpower issue and if the contractor knows he is under the gun he might do it faster.

7. Next Meeting

- The annual CPA meeting and reception will be held in June. The next regular open meeting will be May 13, 2015.

MOTION to adjourn: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Tim Russo second. All votes yes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Shanley