

**Town of Marshfield
Community Preservation Committee
Open Meeting Minutes --- January 22, 2020
Hearing Room #3, Town Hall**

CPC Members in Attendance: Kevin Cantwell, Kerry Richardson, Denis Kelleher, Bert O'Donnell, Tim Russo and Mike Bilas

Guests in Attendance: Rob Mitchell, Don McAleer, Bud Duksta, Bill Dodge, Ed Sullivan, Barney Dowd, Lorrie Dahlen, Norma Haskins, Karen Vieira, Mike Dean, Sue Sheehan, Anne Bohsack, Bill Grafton, Craig Jameson, Edward Duane, Barbara Chaisson, Phyllis Wenzel, Jim Bunnell, Ann Wagner, Mary Marks, Craig Alvey, Dan Reynolds, Karen O'Donnell, Joanne Butterall, Craig Hannafin, Pat Overstreet, Dave W., Jean Ryer, Bill Levin

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to open the meeting at 7:03 pm. Bert O'Donnell seconded the motion.

THE IRISH PATH:

Dan Reynolds is asking for \$360,000 to fund his Irish Path project, to install five statues along the Rail Trail representing the plight of Irish immigrants. He requests the full amount, he cannot proceed with any less. Denis Kelleher feels it is not specific enough to Marshfield. Kevin Cantwell does not feel it fits the criteria for CPC funding. Bert O'Donnell read a guideline as saying "CPA cannot fund interpretive history."

Kevin Cantwell asked the Board if anyone would like to make a motion to recommend Town Meeting approve \$360,000 for The Irish Path. No motion made.

COMMUNITY GARDENS:

Lorrie Dahlen is requesting \$41,250 to fund the improvements and expansion of two community gardens in Town. She informed the Board that an agreement with Mounce's Meadow abutters and the Agricultural Commission had been reached.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to recommend Town Meeting approve \$41,250 to fund Community Gardens, with improvements to Mounce's Meadow Garden and expansion of Coast Guard Hill Garden. Kerry Richardson seconded the motion. All in favor.

MULTI-SPORT COURTS:

Craig Jameson's proposal to build four courts next to the Boys & Girls Club for multiple sport use for all ages will cost \$177,000, including suggested lighting. Kerry Richardson asked if there is high demand for more courts in Town; should they consider building two courts now and two more later, if needed. Bud Duksta assured the Board there is currently overcrowding on courts. He also advised building four courts at once as more economical for post-tension concrete. Tim

Russo asked if portable basketball hoops were included in cost estimate. Bud Duksta said they are not. Kerry Richardson added that a contingency amount should be included in final budget, and possibly to include hoops. Jim Bunnell and Craig Jameson agreed that having a connection between the Boys and Girls Club and the proposed courts will be a positive step to develop a multigenerational campus in Town. Both Craig Jameson and Jim Bunnell understand that the B&GC will need to pay user fees for court time just as youth teams have to pay for time on Town fields.

MOTION: Denis Kelleher made a motion to recommend Town Meeting approve \$186,000 (the requested \$177,000 plus a 5% contingency of \$9,000) for the construction of four Multi-Sport Courts adjacent the Boys and Girls Club. Tim Russo seconded the motion. All in favor.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK & SOUTH RIVER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – PH III:

Kerry Richardson recused himself.

The Veterans Park project will improve fish passage through the South River and improve failing features of the park. Bill Grafton has received all awaiting comments from MassDER, MassDMF and Marshfield Engineering. Once Fuss & O'Neill finishes the design plan, expected in March, Phase II will be complete. He is still working to get all other possible grants. Bert O'Donnell commented further design money should not be spent until the easement with abutters is in place. He also said that the Conservation Commission is in support of the project. Craig Hannafin, director of the North River Watershed Association stressed the need for removal of the dam as only 1% of fish are getting through.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to recommend Town Meeting approve \$263,000 for the Veterans Memorial Park and South River Improvement Project Phase III. Mike Bilas seconded. Kerry Richardson recused himself. All others in favor. Motion passed.

G.A.R. HALL AND ADA COMPLIANCE

North River Arts Society Vice President, Sue Sheehan is asking for \$152,375 to help repair damage from animals in rear of 157 Old Main Street; purchase ADA portable ramp for front entrance; replace old windows; upgrade electrical service and install air conditioning. She presented an itemized list of repairs made over the past years. NRAS has begun a fundraising effort to further help with costs. Mike Bilas pointed out that all with exception of air conditioning was required to be done by the tenants. Kerry Richardson stated that NRAS is clearly in default of their lease with the Town. Is there any talk about renegotiating terms? Kevin Cantwell inquired if the NRAS would be able to raise a predetermined amount each year to spend on the building, as the Daniel Webster Estate has done. Anne Bohsack, NRAS President, and Sue Sheehan replied that they could not be equally compared to the Daniel Webster Estate in generating revenue as they are not allowed to rent out for functions, or use the building for anything other than art. However, they have increased the value of the Town owned property with the rebuilding of the "Firehouse," funded by NRAS. Bert O'Donnell suggested the Board may wish to consider priority items for a partial funding amount. Kevin Cantwell deferred voting until NRAS members meet again with Mike Maresco and Selectmen about the possibility of a new lease.

MARSHFIELD DOG PARK:

Friends of Marshfield Dog Park's application for \$50,000 was previously recommended to go to Town Meeting once land was secured. There is currently a land swap agreement with VRT Corp. off Old Woodlot Lane that will allow for the proposed park. This location meets all requirements for The Stanton Foundation Grant, which will cover 90% of costs.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to recommend Town Meeting approve \$50,000 to fund the Marshfield Dog Park. Tim Russo seconded the motion. All in favor.

MOTION: Mike Bilas made a motion to accept a late application from Harbormaster, Mike Dimeo. Tim Russo seconded the motion. All in favor.

PETER IGO PARK ADA PUBLIC DOCK PROJECT:

Harbormaster Mike Dimeo would like financial support of \$109,242.62 for new ADA docks to replace the non-conforming facility at Peter Igo Park for safe access to the Green Harbor River. New EZDOCK polyethylene docks will last 30 – 40 years. This cost will include a cellular emergency call box and informational kiosk. The project would have a quick 30 day turn around. Kerry Richardson praised Mike Dimeo for bringing forth great projects for the Town. Don McAleer agreed that Harbormaster Dimeo has uplifted the Brant Rock/Green Harbor end of town. Karen O'Donnell inquired if entire walking path is ADA compliant. Tim Russo suggested adding MOBI mats to ensure accessibility.

MOTION: Tim Russo made a motion for amendment of Peter Igo Park ADA Public Dock Project application to increase to \$130,000 to allow for cost of MOBI mats. Denis Kelleher seconded the motion. All in favor.

MOTION: Kerry Richardson made a motion to recommend Special Town Meeting approve \$130,000 to fund the Peter Igo Park ADA Public Dock Project. Tim Russo seconded the motion. All in favor.

MOTION: At 9:26 pm, Kevin Cantwell made a motion to enter executive session, returning to regular session, for real property discussion because discussion in an open session may be detrimental to the committee's negotiating position. Kerry Richardson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: KR yes, TR yes, BO yes, DK yes, MB yes, and KC yes.

Open session resumed at 9:54 pm.

Review of CPC Financials: January invoices were reviewed by the Board.

Minutes Review: January 8, 2020

MOTION: Denis Kelleher made a motion to approve January 8, 2020 meeting minutes. Tim Russo seconded the motion. All in favor.

Next Meeting Date: Tentatively scheduled for February 5th, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

MOTION: Kevin Cantwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 pm. Bert O'Donnell seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Pomella
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