

**Town of Marshfield  
Community Preservation Committee  
Open House Minutes --- September 9, 2020  
ZOOM Video Remote Meeting**

**Members Present:** Kevin Cantwell - Chair, Mike Bilas, Bert O'Donnell, Michele Campion, Kerry Richardson, Denis Kelleher. **Absent** – Tim Russo.

**Guest:** Don McAleer, Martine Anderson, Ned Bangs, Steve Goodhue

**Call to Order:** Kevin Cantwell made a motion to open the meeting at 7:00 pm. Mike Bilas seconded. Approved 5-0-0 by roll call vote: Mike Bilas - yes, Bert O'Donnell - yes, Michele Campion - yes, Kerry Richardson – yes, Kevin Cantwell - yes.  
(No audio from Denis Kelleher.)

**Year in Review:** Kevin Cantwell recapped the CPC projects approved at Special Town Meeting/Annual Town Meeting in June of 2020. There are eleven in total, including a joint open space and affordable housing land purchase, 6 granite historical markers, a dog park, community gardens, Mobi mats, national historic registry research, ADA docks, repair of G.A.R. Hall, 4 multi-sport courts, Veterans Park Phase III, and ballfield improvements.

Kevin Cantwell commented that ZOOM meetings will likely continue for some time due to the pandemic.

**Trails:** Steve Goodhue reported progress on the Trail Signs project approved ATM 2018. Maps have been created but kiosks were delayed as MHS was not in session. The Rail Trail Upgrades ATM 2019 is almost half complete with stone dust underway. Endangered turtles in the area halted progress, but should resume mid - November. Culverts and signs are to follow.

Ned Bangs said maps completed are of Pratt Farm and Webster's Wilderness, both approved by the Conservation Committee. John Little Trail map is next. There is a meeting scheduled with Eversource to discuss leased parking on two substations, Summer Street and South River Street.

Bert O'Donnell inquired if the Trails Committee would be looking for a grant to fund crosswalk lights. He also mentioned his family has enjoyed walking the Trails.

Steve Goodhue said they would likely look for funding elsewhere. They are researching lighting options – flashing lights, solar powered, lights detecting people's presence, and push button to see what suits the area best. Plans are to install lights at South River Street, Clay Pit Road, and Ferry Street intersections.

**Housing Partnership:** Martine Anderson reports that the new housing coordinator, Marguerite Pujalte is very knowledgeable, a great asset. The Partnership's office at Grace Ryder has been

closed due to COVID. She also mentioned that Kerry Richardson was recently reappointed to the Board and they are looking for another member.

Kevin Cantwell recommended submitting an application for the housing coordinator salary for ATM 2021.

**Special Town Meeting:** Don McAleer expects a quick town meeting on October 19, 2020 with 17 articles. Kevin Cantwell asked Don to kindly email a copy for all to see.

**Next Meeting Date:** Tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** Kerry Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. Mike Bilas seconded. Approved 5-0-0 by roll call vote: Michele Campion – yes, Kevin Cantwell – yes, Mike Bilas - yes, Kerry Richardson - yes, Bert O'Donnell – yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Pomella  
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