

**Town of Marshfield
Community Preservation Committee
Open Meeting Minutes --- September 14, 2022
OPEN HOUSE/OPEN MEETING
Hearing Room 2, Town Hall**

Members Present: Kevin Cantwell - Chair, Bert O'Donnell, Kerry Richardson, Michele Campion, Denis Kelleher **Absent:** Michael Devlin-Horne, Mike Bilas, Stephen Merrick

Guests: Don McAleer, Anne Bastille, Lynne Fidler, Martine Anderson, John Murray, Helen Bennett, Rick Brouillard

Call to Order: MOTION: K Cantwell made a motion to open the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Year in Review: A slide show of completed past projects and a list of FY22/23 approved projects was displayed for guests.

Harbor Trail Application FTM: The Harbor Trail application, approved by the CPC in February 2022, will go before the Town for FTM vote, providing testing deems it safe.

MOTION: D Kelleher made a motion to reaffirm the approval of the Harbor Trail application, in the amount of \$126,000. K Richardson seconded. Motion approved 5-0.

MHA Generator Application FTM: Rick Brouillard, Director of Modernization for Quincy Housing Authority (QHA) explained the need for generators at Tea Rock and Grace Ryder senior housing complexes. QHA also manages the Marshfield Housing Authority (MHA). R Brouillard first corrected an error on the application that did not include soft costs, bringing the amended request to \$185,300.89. He stated that the purpose of the generators was to protect and preserve critical building systems, such as fire alarm, piping, and electrical, during power outages. Life safety issues would clearly be an added benefit.

*K Cantwell disclosed that he and K Richardson are both members of the MHA board, for the record.

- B O'Donnell asked how many reside within the complexes. Was Town Counsel consulted? R Brouillard estimated there to be 100 - 120 units. K Cantwell said he had spoken with Atty. Galvin.

- D Kelleher asked if they were Town owned buildings. K Cantwell answered that they are State owned.

- Marshfield Housing Partnership Chair, Martine Anderson said she has no objection to the generators. She also gave glowing reports of the QHA and all they have done.

- John Murray, President of the Tea Rock Gardens Association, said the generators were much needed as the high school became unavailable as a shelter for the handicap and elderly. He expressed gratitude for this opportunity.

Motion: M Campion made a motion to recommend the Town approve funding \$186,000 from the Affordable Housing Fund for generators as indicated.

K Richardson asked if the requested amount included a contingency. R Brouillard said it did not.

Motion: M Campion amended the motion to recommend the Town approve funding \$200,000 from the Affordable Housing Fund. D Kelleher seconded. Motion approved 5-0.

The Board further discussed the subject of affordable housing in Town and how everyone is trying their best to meet the demand. Affordable housing for families is a dire need.

** The CPC Board was introduced to Town Accountant, Anne Bastille and Select Board member, Lynne Fidler. Both guests expressed interest in working together with the CPC within their respective roles for the Town.

Minutes Review: MOTION: K Cantwell made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of August 10, 2022 as drafted. K Richardson seconded. Motion approved 5-0

Next Meeting Date: October 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn: MOTION: D Kelleher made a motion to end the meeting at 8:30 pm. B O'Donnell seconded. Approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Pomella
CPC Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved October 19, 2022