

Town of Marshfield
Community Preservation Committee
Open Meeting Minutes --- November 9, 2022
OPEN MEETING

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

Guests: Don McAleer, Maureen Smith, Bud Duksta, Craig Alvey, Craig Jameson, Jim Buck, Russ Ellis

Call to Order: MOTION: K Cantwell made a motion to open the meeting at 7:02 pm. M Bilas seconded. Roll Call: B O'Donnell – yes, M Bilas – yes, M Campion – yes, M Devlin-Horne – yes, Kevin Cantwell – yes.

FY 2024 Applications:

G.A.R. Hall: \$140,000 - B O'Donnell relayed a concern of abutters was that the restoration at GAR Hall may not meet historical requirements. Maureen Smith clarified that GAR Hall is not registered as a historic building, it resides in a historical district. She said the only work done that is seen from the street is an ADA walkway. She has tried unsuccessfully to reach Cindy Castro of the Historical Commission, but they have no plans to alter the historical nature of the building. M Campion offered to help reach C Castro and get this project on their next agenda. K Cantwell advised postponing the vote.

Peter Igo Park App #1: \$37,000 - Bud Duksta explained the need for resurfacing and line repainting of the 7 tennis courts that were completed in 2014.

Peter Igo Park App #2: \$20,000 - The basketball and multi-sport courts also need resurfacing and line repainting.

B Duksta said the Friends of Peter Igo Park have maintained these courts as instructed with their own fundraising and volunteer labor. The resurfacing is a capital improvement vital for its continued use. Jim Buck added that the deteriorating surface becomes slick, causing a safety issue.

Craig Jameson requested that the Recreation Dept. be contacted and included in all applications involving the facility. He asked if the pickle ball lines would be repainted on the JV tennis courts. B Duksta answered that they would.

B O'Donnell questioned where the line between maintenance and capital improvements lies.

K Cantwell asked C Jameson if the DPW receives permitting fees from PIP that could be used for maintenance. C Jameson said it was only between \$2-4K.

Russ Ellis commented that the FOPIP put in a lot of effort and fundraising for maintenance, to include power washing, net replacement, and wind screens. He emphasized that the resurfacing is a major renewal, the coatings are at the end of useful life.

M Devlin-Horne felt this to be a worthy project as the Park is very popular with residents.

M Bilas also supports this project, believing it to fall into the category of capital improvement.

K Cantwell would like to consult Tom Reynolds of DPW and Town Counsel, Bob Galvin. He agrees that the project is necessary, but needs to see if other funds could cover expenses.

Minutes Review: MOTION: M Campion made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 19, 2022 as revised. M Bilas seconded. Motion approved 4-0-1 by Roll Call Vote: M Bilas – yes, M Campion – yes, M Devlin-Horne – yes, K Cantwell – yes.
B O'Donnell – Abstain.

Financials: The Verizon phone and FIOS has been disconnected at the MHA Grace Ryder office, as requested.

Other Business: B O'Donnell reported that Bill Grafton, Conservation Commissioner has resigned.

Next Meeting Date: December 14, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn: MOTION: M Bilas made a motion to end the meeting at 7:48 pm. M Campion seconded. Approved 5-0 by Roll Call Vote: M Bilas – yes, M Campion – yes, B O'Donnell – yes, M Devlin-Horne – yes, K Cantwell – yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Pomella
CPC Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved January 11, 2023