

Town of Phillipston Community Preservation Committee

Meeting: 5 March 2015, 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Annex

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Attending were: Dick Hamel, Mark Miville, Don Clifford, John Williams, Kevin Flynn and Bonnie House
Absent and not heard from: Rose Frizzell

Don moved that the minutes from the meeting of February 5, 2015 be approved. Dick seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Old Business

Karin Foley has resubmitted her article with changes: from \$11,761. to \$13,091 which would include copying Town records digitally. Don moved to support the article from the Town Clerk with the updated changes. Kevin seconded. The vote was unanimous. The article will be submitted for Town Meeting as follows:

Article 1:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to General Law Chapter 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$13,091.00 from the Community Preservation Historical Resources Reserve, for the purpose of funding the preservation of Town record books, eleven record books are to be imaged, preserved and re-bound, Town Records Vol. 7 1876-1917, Town Records 1917-1942, Town Records W. Precinct of Templeton 1774-1786, Town of Gerry 1786-1793. Town Records (Gerry) 1794, Registered Voters 1885-1926, Registered Voters 1932-1948, Registered Voters 1949-1976, School Records 1847, Dist. 4, Rebellion Records, Selectmen's Book of Records of the Phillipston Library 1862-1926, Marriage Intentions 1905-1926, or act in relation thereto.

Church article: Don moved to submit the article as written for submission to Town Meeting. John seconded. The vote was unanimous except for Kevin who abstained.

Article 2:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to General Law Chapter 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$2,000 from the Community Preservation Historical Resources Reserve, for the purpose of funding the restoration of the scroll fresco located on the wall behind the pulpit in the sanctuary of the Congregational Church of Phillipston, or act in relation thereto.

Don moved that we submit the article concerning the Historical Society Museum as written for submission to Town Meeting. John seconded. The vote was unanimous, except for Dick who abstained.

Article 3:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to General Law Chapter 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$3,085 from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve and \$7,000 from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve for the purpose of funding the structural restoration, completed in November, 2014, of the Historical Society Museum building located at 80 State Road, Phillipston, Assessor's Map 33, Lot 13B, or act in relation thereto.

Don moved that we submit the article for the Town Park to Town Meeting. Kevin seconded. Discussion followed concerning the need to separate the property housing the police station from the park land even though both will continue to be owned by the Town. Mark will ask Wayne Richard to present this request to the Planning Board. Kevin stated as long as the properties meet adequate frontage requirements, a simple Approval Not Required is acceptable. A survey will probably be needed. The vote was unanimous.

Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to General Law Chapter 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$20,000 from the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve and \$50,000 from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve to the Board of Selectmen, via the Parks and Recreation Department, to be used as matching funds to help to complete the Phillipston Community Park to be located on Assessor’s Map 24, Lot 2, 10.7 acres behind the Police Station, the funds used in part, for playground construction, grass, seeding, planting, benches, tables, paths as the community sees fit based on a public forum, or act in relation thereto.

Bonnie moved and Don seconded that we submit the following article to Town Meeting. Mark will check with Donna, the Town Accountant for the correct amounts to be added. The vote was unanimous.

Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation annual revenues the amounts recommended below by the Community Preservation Committee to be expended for the purposes of: committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in FY2016, with each line item to be considered a separate appropriation.

From FY2016 estimated annual revenues for Historic Resources Reserve.....	\$8,450.00
From FY2016 estimated annual revenues for Community Housing Reserve.....	\$8,450.00
From FY2016 estimated annual revenues for Open Space Reserve.....	\$8,450.00
From FY2016 estimated annual revenues for Budget Reserve.....	\$58,650.00

Appropriations:

From FY2016 Budgeted Reserve for Committee Administrative Expenses - \$500.00, or act in relation thereto.

The 2015 calendar year Community Preservation Coalition dues of \$300. were paid from the Committee Adminisstrative Expenses account by Mark.

All present are up to date with the mandated Conflict of Interest training.

New Business:

Mark and Bonnie attended the Parent Teachers Group meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 to inform them of the park and playground. They are enthusiastic about it, and will “get the word out to parents”.

Don moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. and Dick seconded.
Respectfully submitted, Bonnie House