

Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts

Community Preservation Committee

Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2023



Community Preservation Committee

Gina Guasconi, Chair
Recreation Commission

Carlton Hunt, Vice-Chair
Citizen at Large

Maureen Minasian
Open Space Committee

Stacy Driscoll
Housing Authority

Patrick Driscoll
Planning Board

Harry Bailey, Jr.
Conservation Commission

Geoff Merriman
Historical Commission

William Smith
Historic District Commission

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Affordable Housing Trust

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:32

Members Present: Gina Guasconi, Carlton Hunt, Harry Bailey, Geoff Merriman, Patrick Driscoll,

Members Absent: William Smith, Stacey Driscoll, Maureen Minasian

Guests Present: Barbara Morey

B. Chairs Announcements –

The chair and vice-chair continue to meet with the Town Manager prior to CPC meetings.

C. Public Comments – None.

D. Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2023

The March 23 minutes will be voted at the May 24th CPC meeting.

E. Review of Financial Reports

The committee reviewed the CPC balance sheet and FY24 recommended budget.

Carlton Hunt motioned to recommend the FY2024 CPC Budget which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

F. Old Business

Applications Received

Broad Street Properties Purchase

The Town Manager will discuss this with the Chair and Vice-Chair at their May meeting. The Town Engineer is reviewing the location as well. Accessible parking is also being looked into.

Congregational Church Phases 2 and 3

The deed restriction is still being worked on between the town attorney and P.A.L.

Funded projects Update

Library Archival Project

The project has wrapped up and the chair is working with the Library Director to get excess monies, about \$1,000, returned to the CPC bucket.

Stiles and Hart Project

There are no new updates at this time.

Pickle Ball Courts

The committee is waiting for a final report.

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Memorial Building

The Town Manager is working on finalizing the cost and will be submitting a change order request for additional work.

McElwain School

There will be a public open house tour on Saturday, May 13th. The playground is open to the public and the community room will be available starting in June

Taking of Summer Street (Mobil Station) Property

A committee has been formed and their work will begin soon for design.

Housing Authority – Hemlock Drive Windows and Exterior Improvements

The grant agreement will be going to the Housing Authority within the next few days.

Old State Farm Trails

There is a hangup at the state level due to legal issues. The survey is in process.

Parthenon Frieze

The Town Clerk has engaged a firm to transport the frieze to the restoration company.

Anticipated Projects – Eligibility forms approved, application not received

Hanson's Farm

The additional surveying has been completed.

Methodist Church

The church requested an example of a grant agreement which was provided.

Senior Center Design Study

The Senior Center has completed their public hearings. An application is being considered for CPC funding.

Completion of Documents

The policies and procedures continue to be worked on and are intended to be given to the CPC members prior to the May meeting.

G. New Business

CPC Signage

Carlton suggested permanent signage to recognize CPC funded projects around town.

Annual Hearing

Carlton raised the point the CPC needs to plan for it 2023 Annual CPC Hearing and the required CPC 5-Year update. He suggested hiring a facilitator. No discussion was held but the concepts will be discussed during the next CPC meeting.

H. Committee Representative Reports

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Parks and Recreation

No updates.

Historical District Commission

No updates.

Historical Commission

No updates.

Conservation Committee

No updates.

Open Space

No updates.

Planning Board

No updates.

Public Comment - None

The next meeting will be held on May 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Carlton Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. which was duly seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by: Joshua McGraw