

Wrentham Community Preservation Committee Minutes  
Wednesday April 17th 2019

Present: Chair Barry Kassler, Robin McDonald, Leo Immonen, Mark Cuddy, Alex Leonard, Steve Langley

Absent: Chuck Woodhams, Scott Manchuso, Carol Mollica

At 7:04 p.m., Barry Kassler called the April 17th, 2019 meeting to order in Bennett Gardens meeting room.

Barry Kassler proposed a FY2020 budget recommendation. The proposed Budget recommendation was: \$255,000 in estimated revenues with the following amounts in reserve 15K for Administrative Expenses, \$30k for Open Space, \$30k for Historical and \$30k for Housing, the remaining \$150k in budgeted reserve. Steve Langley made a motion to approve the budget as presented, seconded, Vote: unanimously approved.

Town Administrator Kevin Sweet asked CPC to consider having one administrative employee work as the CPC administrative staff and serve as administrative staff for Conservation Commission. The individual hired would work no more than 19 hours per week in this combined role with an average of 4 hours per week for CPC. A Motion was made by Steve Langley to move forward with the proposed combined position as suggested by Town Administrator Sweet, seconded: Vote: unanimously approved. Barry Kassler will inform Mr. Sweet of the CPC vote.

CPC members reviewed Gilly's House eligibility application. The funding requested is for painting Gilly's house located at 1022 West Street. The applicant applied for eligibility under Historical Preservation and Community Housing categories. It was noted that the applicant had not contacted the Historical Commission. It was unknown if the Housing Authority had been contacted. The funding request is for \$34,850.

Robin McDonald made a motion to approve, at least in part, the eligibility of Gilly's house application for the painting and exterior repair of the home located at 1022 West Street. A full application may be completed and submitted to CPC for consideration. Seconded: Vote: 4 in favor (McDonald, Langley, Leonard, Kassler) 2 opposed (Cuddy, Immonen).

Barry Kassler asked CPC members to consider the eligibility of the application submitted by the Recreation Commission for funding to build a playground at Rice Field Complex. The applicant is submitting the request under the recreation category. The funding request for the playground is \$445,315. The Recreation Commission fully supports this request.

Steve Langley made a motion to approve, at least in part, the eligibility of the Rice Playground application. A full application may be completed and submitted to CPC for consideration. Seconded: Vote: unanimously approved.

Barry Kassler asked members to consider the eligibility of the Mirror Lake application. The funding request is for \$23,000 for weed removal. The applicant is submitting the application under the Open Space and Recreation Categories.

Steve Langley made a motion to approve, at least in part, the eligibility of the Mirror Lake application. A full application may be completed and submitted to CPC for consideration. Seconded: Vote: unanimously approved

Barry Kassler asked members to consider the eligibility of the Lake Pearl application. The applicant is requesting \$83,000 for weed removal. The application was filed under Open Space, Recreation and Historical Categories.

Steve Langley made a motion to approve, at least in part, the eligibility of the Lake Pearl application. A full application may be completed and submitted to CPC for consideration. Seconded: Vote: unanimously approved

Committee members discussed options for reviewing Phase II full applications and hearing presentations from applicants. It was agreed that four applications would be heard at the May 22, 2019 CPC meeting (Cowell Paintings, Bennett Garden Rehab, Lake Archer, Open Space & Recreation Plan), and four would be heard at the June 26, 2019 CPC meeting (Gilly's House, Rice Playground, Mirror Lake, Lake Pearl).

Barry Kassler will inform the applicants of the date of their meeting and presentations. Each applicant will be given 10 minutes for their presentation followed by Q & A.

Steve Langley made a motion to accept the minutes as amended from the March 27<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting. Seconded, Vote: unanimously approved.

Steve Langley made a motion to adjourn the CPC meeting at 8:30pm. Seconded, Vote: unanimously approved.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 22nd, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Bennett Gardens.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Robin McDonald