TOWN OF BELMONT COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (CPC)

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Minutes:

Wednesday, June 14, 2017, Town Hall Room 1, 5:00PM

Present:

Floyd Carman, Adam Dash, Anthony Ferrante, Lisa Harrington, Gloria Leipzig,

Anne Marie Mahoney, Margaret Velie

Absent:

Andrés Rojas

Other:

Roy Epstein, Chair, Warrant Committee, Community Path's Working Group

Margaret Velie called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

Approve Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of May 10, 2017 passed with five votes.

 Adam Dash and Lisa Harrington abstained from voting as they did not attend the May 10, 2017 meeting.

Community Path / Clay Pit Pond Path

Roy Epstein, representing the Community Path's Working Group opened the discussion regarding the possibility of integrating a bike path in to the Intergenerational Walking Path around Clay Pit Pond. Consultants for the Community Path are still exploring options, the current schematics suggest most routes will not work.

The CPC responses included the Intergenerational Path was approved at Town Meeting as a "walking, jogging path", not intended for bicycle use. Any change to the current plan for the IG Path would have to go back to Town Meeting.

Adam Dash volunteered to speak with the School Superintendent regarding the Community Path being located behind the High School.

Consultants for the Community Path will be presenting their proposed route to the Selectmen this summer.

<u>CPA Plan – Update for Next Year</u>

Floyd Carmen reported the time line for next year is critical.

Motion was called to hold the regular monthly CPC meeting and the Public Meeting on the same evening, September 14, 2017, 5:30pm and 6:30pm respectively. Motion was approved unanimously.

For the CPA Plan, the question was raised to make it public before we approve August 1st. Using *NextDoor* for getting more public awareness was suggested.

Gloria Leipzig has additional questions about the CPA Plan regarding the Special Application Process, and minor changes to the Preliminary Application. She will forward to Michael Trainor. The CPC will vote on any Application changes at the July 12, 2017 meeting.

Budgeted Reserve/Stabilization Fund Discussion

Floyd Carman reported there is nothing new to report on this subject. Mr. Carman brought Adam Dash up to date on the current status as reported at the May 10, 2017 meeting. Adam Dash suggested adding a couple of sentences about reserving unappropriated funds for reserve for special projects. Floyd Carman asked the CPC to submit questions to him regarding flexibility of fund distribution.

Once preliminary agreement has been reached, a policy will be drafted with a list of criteria for accessing funds. It is anticipated that the CPC will vote on this written policy at their meeting on September 14, 2017. If it is approved, the CPC will present the written policy on CPA stabilization funds to the Board of Selectmen.

Community Preservation Coalition - Highlighting Projects

Coalition News – a new intern has been hired who will be working on highlighting projects. The CPC discussed highlighting our projects on Twitter, as well as sending the Coalition photos of the Underwood Pool, Joe's Park and Winn Brook Field / Tennis Courts.

Project Updates and Project Monitor Reports

FY14 Project Monitor Reports

Belmont Historical Resources Survey: This project was re-approved as complete from the January 2017 approval. Approved unanimously

FY16 Project Monitor Reports

- 1853 Homer House Rehabilitation and Restoration Floyd Carman stated the Preservation Restriction should be in place next month. Motion was unanimously approved for the \$2,941 legal fees. Homer House contract work will be out to bid soon.
- Wellington Station Roof Replacement will be out to bid soon, with work to be done in the fall.
- Intergenerational Walking Path survey is being completed, plans should be ready in July 2017.
- Winn Brook and PQ Tennis Courts near completion.

Other Business

• Motion to approve payment of \$808.20 to Michael Trainor for April/May passed unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 5:00PM, Town Hall Conference Room 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Harrington