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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE JUL 11 3 35 PM '13

Minutes: Wednesday, June 12, 2013, Town Hall Conference Room 1, 5:00PM
Present: Donna Brescia, Floyd Carman, Anne Marie Mahoney, Paul Solomon, Margaret Velie
Absent: Joe DeStefano, Lisa Harrington, John Owens, Andres Rojas
Other: Helen Bakeman, Judith Feins, Anne Covino Goldenberg, Jonathan Jacoby, Charles R Lavery III, Ann Silverman, Alisa Gardner Todreas, Michael Trainor

Paul Solomon called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Old Business

Minutes of May 8, 2013 approved unanimously.

Presentation By Belmont Housing Trust

The Belmont Housing Trust gave a presentation proposing that the CPC consider allocating funds to Belmont's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, as allowed under CPA legislation. After examining other communities that have allocated CPA funds to their affordable housing trust funds, the Belmont Housing Trust identified programs "of modest scale and complexity" that Belmont could pursue if the CPC were to accept a proposal to allocate funds. The Belmont Housing Trust will create a program specifically for using CPA funds, seek an endorsement from the Board of Selectmen, and submit funding applications each year to the CPC.

Anne Marie Mahoney noted that the proposed allocation could be seen as further removing the citizens of Belmont from the decision-making process with regards to how CPA funds are used. She also underlined the importance of having a clearly definable project to avoid the perception that this proposed allocation would act as a "blank check" to the Belmont Housing Trust. Floyd Carman echoed the importance for tangible projects and noted that the unintended financial consequences should be thoroughly investigated before the CPC approves any such allocation.

Community Preservation Plan: Progress Report and Discussion

Michael Trainor submitted drafts of the Community Preservation Plan and the FY14 CPA Application Process and Timeline to CPC members on May 31, 2013. The CPC voted unanimously to approve the first version of the CPA Application Process and Timeline, which has a deadline of September 6, 2013 for FY14 Preliminary Applications. Committee members will review the Plan and submit any changes to Michael Trainor in order to finalize the document for the next CPC meeting.

Committee Members Requiring Reappointment

Donna Brescia, Lisa Harrington, and Anne Marie Mahoney will reach the end of their terms on June 30, 2013. Lisa Harrington and Anne Marie Mahoney are seeking reappointment, but Donna Brescia will not be continuing her role as a Committee member. The Belmont Housing Authority will designate Gloria Leipzig to fill the vacant seat. Paul Solomon acknowledged that the CPC has benefitted greatly from Donna Brescia's involvement.

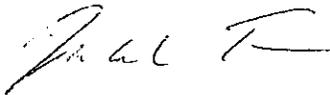
Other Business

- Floyd Carman will send a memo to Committee members regarding what he believes the CPC's role should be as overseers for approved CPA projects. The Committee will discuss this issue further at the next CPC meeting.
- Election of Officers
 - CPC voted unanimously to re-elect Paul Solomon as Chair.
 - CPC voted unanimously to re-elect Anne Marie Mahoney as Vice Chair, assuming her reappointment to the Committee is approved by the Selectmen.
 - CPC voted unanimously to re-elect Floyd Carman as Clerk.
- Motion approved unanimously for payment of \$1,183.70 (35 hours @ \$33.82) to Michael Trainor for administrative work.
- Motion approved unanimously for payment of \$1,014.60 (30 hours @ \$33.82) to Michael Trainor for administrative work.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 5:00PM, Town Hall Conference Room 1.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Trainor