

Community Preservation Committee

Open Annual Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2020

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Present : Bob Norris (Chair), Julie Gillis (Vice Chair), Genevieve Davis, Bob McMackin, Deborah Stuart, Brendan Sullivan, Aleta Scully, Rich Levitt

Guests: Marynel Wahl, Nancy Hemingway (Conservation Agent), Vinny Bucca, Gregg McBride (Community Housing Trust, Chair)

The meeting was called to order by Bob Norris (Chair) at 7:02pm.

Meeting Agenda

Motion; made by Aleta Scully, seconded by Julie Gillis, to approve the agenda as written. Unanimously voted.

Conservation Fund Increase - Nancy Hemingway, Conservation Agent, returned this evening with a supplemental information packet which included examples on types of projects that could utilize the requested CPC fund increase of 10% to 20%. Nancy explained some of the benefits of having dedicated funds readily available in the Conservation Commission Fund. Also, Nancy pointed out that work on Conservation projects is often conducted around breaks in the official DPW schedule or as materials and staff time become available. Projects can be realized in an affordable manner if the Commission is allowed flexibility to work with Municipal Resources. Many times small goals are accomplished with relatively short notice and the additional funds would help to fund these smaller quick decision projects.

Community Housing Trust – Gregg McBride, Community Housing Trust Chair, returned this evening with a supplemental information packet which provides additional detail of past fund expenditures as illustration as to how funds in the Housing Trust have been and will be used in the future. In addition, the CHT describes current housing initiatives which they are pursuing and will require expenditures from the Trust.

The Carleton Property – Brendan Sullivan

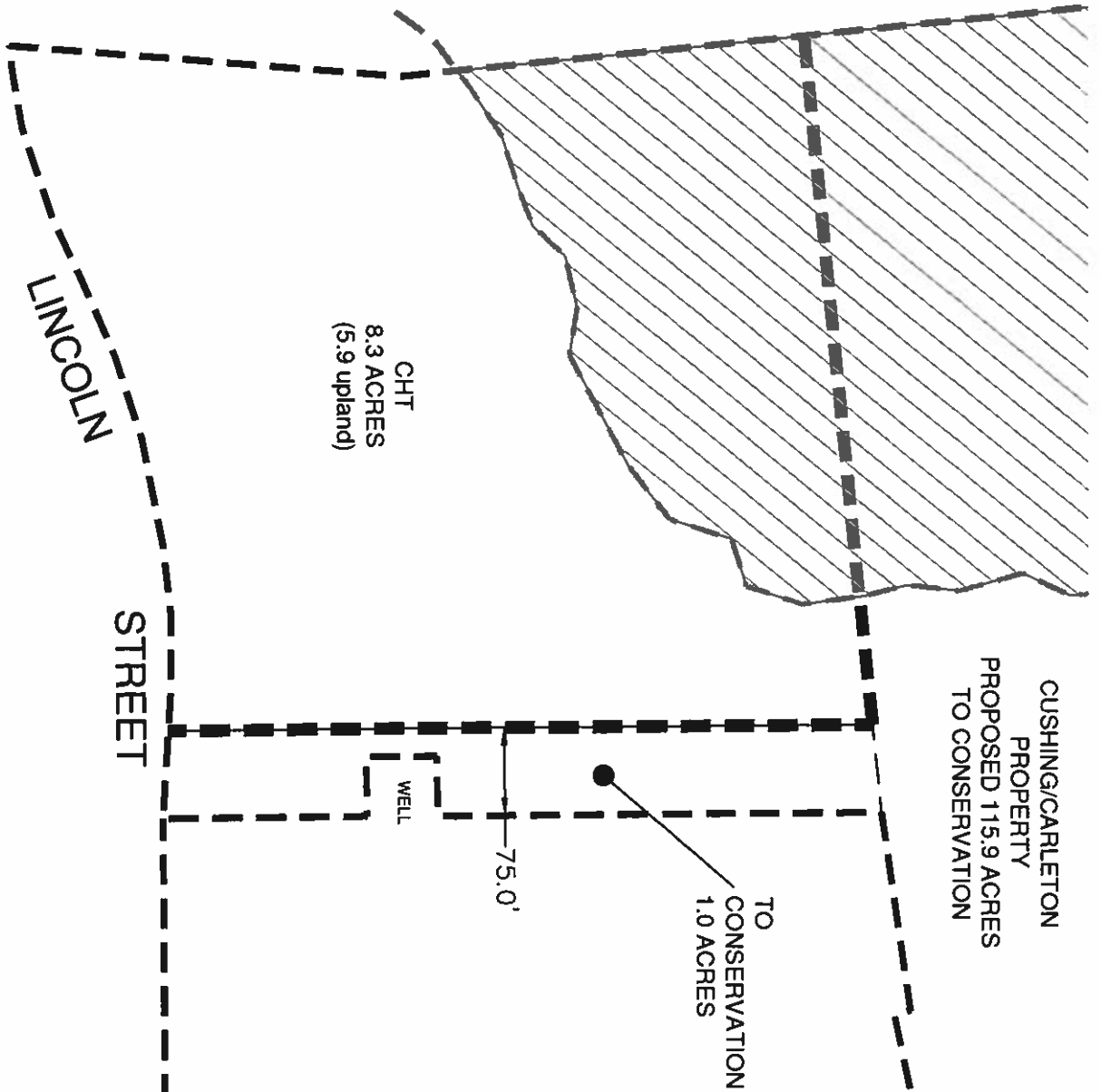
While writing the warrant for The Carleton Property it was suggested that the parking lot area and the proposed Community Housing Trust site be separated. Please see the attached map for the updated outlined defined spaces. The proposed parking lot area is 75' wide and 600' long (1 acres) which will allow for roughly 24 parking spaces and will be designated as part of The Carleton Property Conservation Land. The Community Housing Trust updated proposed size area in now 8.3 acres (5.9 upland). Rich Levitt provided the motion verbally and will provide the written motion from The Carleton Property meeting dated 1-27-2020 confirming the change.

Motion: *The Carleton Property Committee recommends to the Board of Selectmen and the Town of Norwell that approximately 115.9 acres of the Cushing Property, as depicted on the "Cushing Fields Proposed 115.9 Acres to Conservation" Plan dated January 27, 2020, be designated for Open Space, Conservation, and passive recreation purposes.*

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Motion: The Carleton Property Committee recommends to the Board of Selectmen and the Town of Norwell that approximately 8.3 acres of land as depicted on the "Proposed Area to be Set Aside for Community Housing Trust" Plan dated January 27, 2020, be designated for affordable housing.

Approval – Meeting Minutes and Vouchers

Next Meeting Date:

February 27, 2020, Norwell Town Hall, 345 Main Street, 7pm. Room 112

Adjourn:

Motion; made by Bob Norris, seconded by Rich Levitt, to adjourn at 8:35pm. Unanimously voted.

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