

Community Preservation Committee

Open Annual Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2020

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Present : Julie Gillis (Vice Chair), Genevieve Davis, Bob McMackin, Deborah Stuart, Brendan Sullivan

Guests: Vinny Bucca, Marynel Wahl, Bob Woodill, Nancy Hemingway, Ken Kirkland

The meeting was called to order by Julie Gillis (Vice Chair) at 7:08pm.

Meeting Agenda

*Motion; made by Julie Gillis, seconded by Genevieve Davis to approve the agenda as written.
Unanimously voted.*

Wildcat Lane / Housing Initiatives – rescheduled for January 23, 2020.

Wildcat Parking Expansion - A video of past and present projects was shared by Bob McMackin. Bob explained the Conservation Commission is responsible for the protection and management of Norwell's Conservation land as well enforce the State Wetlands Protection Act. The Conservation Commission also manages 2000 Acres of Open Space Public Lands, 19+ miles of Public Trails, 10 Active Farm Fields, 11 Conservation Restrictions, and 9831 Feet of Scenic Stone Walls. The Conservation Commission also conducts outreach and educational gatherings regarding the town's natural resources. A map of the existing parking lot was shared and the proposed renovation was outlined. The current parking area hold 2-3 vehicles and the renovated lot would hold 5-6 parking spaces with the possibility of up to 10 spots.

Conservation Fund Increase – Bob McMackin shared multiple examples of why the application for the Conservation 10% increase was requested. The Community Preservation Committee understood the request but recommended a list with specific projects that would benefit from the increase. Nancy Hemingway and Bob McMackin agreed to provide the Community Preservation Committee with a specific project list on or before January 23,2020 (CPC next meeting).

Carleton Property Trails and Access Lot – Ken Kirkland, Planning Board, explained the original application as well as the revised version. Many of the updates/changes were minor details. This funding request is for a feasibility study for a parking/ access area and established trails and connections in the Carleton Property with the surrounding trail networks.

Approval – Meeting Minutes and Vouchers

Motion; made by Genevieve Davis, seconded by Bob McMackin, to approve the minutes from December 5, 2019. Unanimously voted.

Next Meeting Date:

January 23, 2020, Norwell Town Hall, 345 Main Street, 7pm. Room 112

Adjourn:

Motion; made by Deb Stuart, seconded by Brendan Sullivan, to adjourn at 8:55pm. Unanimously voted.