COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



MINUTES OF REMOTE PARTICIPATION

SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday January 7, 2021

Chair Betty Slade called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Vice-Chair Tim Gillespie and members Hugh Morton, John Bell, Dale Weber, Philip Weinberg, Mark Schmid, and Elizabeth Collins. Janet Jones was absent.

6:30 p.m. Call To order & Pledge of Allegiance

Review new projects:

a. Walt's Orchard. Pietrzyk Conservation Project. Ross Moran, Executive Director of the Westport Land Conservation Trust explained that there were several other committees that did not want to release this property from Chapter 61A as requested by the owner. These committees feel this property is a good candidate for protection. The Board of Selectmen were supposed to decide whether or not to release the property at the last meeting but tabled it to their next meeting on January 19th. If the Board of Selectmen exercises its right of first refusal, and assigns that to the Land Trust, the Trust proposes purchasing the property and placing a conservation restriction (CR) on it and then reselling the property with the restriction. The Land Trust is requesting \$150K from CPA funds to purchase the CR.

MOTION by Ms. Collins to move this project to the public hearing on January 14, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Morton. The vote was unanimous with all in favor by roll call vote.

b. Roof for COA. Beverly Bisch, director of the COA.

The Council on Aging is located in an historic building. The Westport Historical Commission reviewed the proposal on January 4th and recommended the project if the color of the shingles was charcoal similar to those on the Town Hall Annex since these were done just a few years ago. Mr. Gillespie reviewed the situation of the building's roof including use of a drone. He felt that the amount requested should be increased to \$85K from \$75K.

MOTION by Mr. Morton to move the project to the public hearing on January 14, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Gillespie. The vote was unanimous with all in favor by roll call vote.

c. Town of Westport: Campground Property Fields and Amenities Design. The project proposal to the CPC was withdrawn in the BOS meeting on December 21, 2020.

Other business not foreseen.

None.

Invoices since the last meeting:

Hudson Micro Imaging for Town Records Preservation Phase V (46 rolls vault storage) \$92.00 EastBay Classified for Jan Public Hearing ad for \$63.00 WHS & Heritage Restoration for Bell School work \$25,206.20

<u>MOTION</u> by Mr. Gillespie to pay all bills as listed. Seconded by Mr. Morton. The vote was unanimous with all in favor by roll call vote.

Adjourn.

<u>Motion</u> by Mr. Gillespie to adjourn at 7:19 pm. Seconded by Mr. Morton. The vote was unanimous with all in favor by roll call vote.

Next meeting: January 14, 2021 at 6:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Tabit Recording Clerk

Attachments:

Piertrzyk Property application; COA Application; E-mail from Jeff Wad withdrawing Camping Ground property application.