



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Chairman Warren Messier called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with Vice-Chairman William D. Raus, James Coyne, Anne Brum and Richard Lambert. Absent were Elizabeth Collins, Betty Slade, Janet Jones and Tim Gillespie.

Westport Youth Athletic Association – Playing Fields Update

Gardner Lane, fundraising chairman of the WYAA was present before the Committee. He brought in last weeks' Shorelines that featured an article on the playing fields. The article's appearance in the paper is part of their fundraising campaign. He explained that they have cleared the fields and are creating a road into the site. He stated that to create a flat surface, they would be using the CPC fund but are going to try to raise at least another 400K to match the CPC funding. They are using an automated website that will allow people to donate on line and through crowdfunding to include Face Book and other social media outlets. HE noted that they plan to update the website with news as it occurs. In 2013 they received the largest donation 100K and 2014 saw their third largest total donations comprised of smaller donations in comparison to the prior year. He noted that many people will hold off in donating until they see something materialize, so he plans to follow up on those promises.

Annex update: hall/stairwells, gym, handicap accessibility

Mr. Messier stated that this is still in planning stages and needs to be coordinated with the Recreation Committee, which is down in membership at the moment. He stated that both he and Tim have made examination and the cause is blocked drainage pipes from the roof. They plan to have the highway department do the excavation and clean out the blocked pipes and water seal the basement walls.

Letter from Westport Historical Society – update on Handy House and Bell School projects.

Mr. Messier did not read the letter into the record. Mr. Coyne noted the update was sent out to all the members and motioned to accept the letter and file it with the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Raus. The vote was unanimous with all in favor.

Proposed Source Funding and presentation to FinCom

The presentation to the Finance Committee will be made by Mr. Raus on February 24th even though there is no funding coming out of the general fund. Mr. Raus reviewed the proposed source funding that will be subject to verification by the Town Accountant.

Minutes

October 9, 2014

Motion by Mr. Coyne to accept as written. Seconded by Ms. Brum seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous with all in favor.

November 13, 2014 Motion by Mr. Raus to accept as written. Seconded by Mr. Lambert seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous with all in favor.

December 11, 2014

Motion by Ms. Brum to accept as written. Seconded by Mr. Coyne seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous with all in favor.

January 15, 2015 Regular meeting and Public hearing.

Motion by Mr. Lambert to accept as written. Seconded by Mr. Raus seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous with all in favor.

Invoices.

Shorelines - legal Ad \$63.00

CPA Coalition \$1,750.00

CLE Engineering \$3,036.71 work through December 2014

Members unanimously voted to pay these invoices.

Next meeting.

March 12, 2015, Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

Adjournment.

Members unanimously adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted by Lucy R. Tabit