Community Preservation Committee

Agenda

Date: July 26, 2023

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Zoom Virtual Meeting

Attendance; Doug Thornton, Planning Board, Jane Biering, Stu Sklar, John Mark Walker, Marissa Steele- Parks & Recreation, Beth Williams, Chair

Convene Virtual Meeting

- Roll call and sound check

- Preamble to Remote Meeting

- Reminder that meeting materials are available online

- Rules for participation

- Notification that meeting will be recorded

Public Comment Period – No public comment.

Treasurer's Update – due to John Lee's exit from the committee, there is no treasurer's report.

Election of Officers:

Jane Biering was nominated for treasurer role. Unanimous vote in support of Jane Biering taking on the treasurer role.

Beth Williams was nominated for clerk role. Unanimous vote in support

Stu Sklar was nominated for chair. Unanimous vote in support

Discussion of the role of CPC in housing, and that the state will begin taking tougher line on towns not meeting affordable housing thresholds.

Stu action item: send out budget materials from other towns.

Schedule of grants

With annual town meeting moving to April, it shortens the timeframe to receive and review grant applications.

Articles due by February 6, 2024

Beth recommends submissions be in CPC review by the September meeting. Beth recommended Application date become September 21, 2023, to meet timeline.

Applications haven't yet been announced - Julie to send in August. And will let all committee chairs know.

Suggestion of ad in Harvard Press in August

Submission process takes ~6 weeks to review.

Beth W Action item: to send ad example from last year.

Stu S Action item: contact Julie re: deadline reminders

Discussion about evaluating submissions

Review of 3 types of allocations: housing, recreation, and open space, with minimum 10% of funds going to each

Meeting adjourned until August 23, 2023

Upcoming Dates:

9/21/2023   CPC Applications Due

10/21/2023   Fall Town Meeting

1/5/2024   Financial Warrant Articles Due

2/6/2024   Budget Recommendation Due