Shutesbury Community Preservation Committee

May 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Held at Shutesbury Town Hall

Meeting opened at 6:03 pm by CPC Chair, Donald Fletcher

Members present: Linda Avis Scott, Allen Hanson, Mike Vinskey, Rita Farrell, Donald Fletcher

Members absent: Susan Essig, Leslie Bracebridge, Jim Aaron

Meeting topics

The agenda for the meeting was the annual debrief.

It was mentioned that Rita will look for another non-housing grant agreement sample

What have we learned this year?

- 1. Process went well including the schedule
- 2. Historic process is more complex we should put guidance in the CPA guidelines about historic requirements including the potential need for a historic consultant
- 3. We should know status of projects so we can report progress to town meeting ask for or require update by March of each year
- 4. Get regular accounting from treasurer

Web page:

- 1. Need before and after pictures we should require that of awardees
- 2. Would like to know how many people access the CPA page on the town website
- 3. Have better info on site e.g. link to CP Coalition and other sites

Gazebo update

- 1. Gazebo has to be located in a different place because of wetlands at Old town Beach
- 2. Raises question of what policy is if there are substantive changes to a project post award

Community preservation plan

- 1. Update plan every year
- 2. Tweak the historic guidance
- 3. Revise schedule as needed
- 4. We should go through another round of surveying town committees, boards as part of master plan process how do people want CPA \$ spent?
- Committee members should go back to their respective committees/boards to review existing plan and see if changes are needed.
- 6. Add warrant articles, schedule, and link to coalition to the plan
- 7. Check for links to CP Coalition website covering historic guidelines.
- 8. Send changes to Donald and they will be made in September.

Chair and Secretary Nominations

- A motion was made by Rita, seconded by Linda for Donald Fletcher to remain as CPC chair
 vote was unanimous
- 2. A motion was made by Donald and seconded by Alan, for Leslie to be the secretary. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting and application schedule for next year

September 15: review community preservation plan; make any changes and post by October 1

October 20: -CPC meeting

November 15: Preliminary applications due

November 17: CPC meeting

<u>December 1</u>: CPC meeting if needed January 13, 2017: Final applications due

January 17: CPC meeting to initiate review

February 17: applicants' interviews

March 8: CPC public hearing

March 16: CPC meeting to decide on proposals

April 20: CPC meeting

May 18: annual debrief meeting

Kevin Weir submitted preliminary determination of eligibility - will consider at first fall meeting

Letter from DEP regarding school well

- 1. Letter about effect of track construction on school well
- 2. DEP have jurisdiction over track?
- 3. Catherine Hilton spoke to DEP
- 4. School has to go through process with DEP

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

Minutes recorded by Rita Farrell