

Town of Hanson  
542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) Meeting  
Minutes for June 8, 2016

**Next scheduled meeting will be 7:00 PM, Wednesday, August 10, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. Roll call was as follows:

Members Present:        Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett, Chairman and Member-At-Large  
                                 John Kemmett, Conservation  
                                 Allan Clemons, Historical Commission  
                                 Patty Norton, Vice-Chairman and Member-At-Large  
                                 Kenny Mitchell, Parks & Fields  
                                 Tom Hickey, Member-At-Large

Members Absent:        Stephen Regan, Planning Board  
                                 Robert Overholtzer, Member-At-Large

Guest:                    Teresa Santalucia, Housing Authority

Laura asked Teresa to introduce herself to the committee. She will be the CPC Housing Authority representative, replacing Bob Sears, after she has been sworn in.

Minutes

Patty stated that in the May 18 meeting minutes, page 3, in the section concerning the Historical Commission House Inventories, the phrase “Historic Commission” in the body of the paragraph should have read “historical society”. Shirley said she will make the correction.

John made a motion to accept the minutes of the May meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Patty and approved 6-0-0.

Chairman’s Report

Laura said that she signed the \$17,000 bill that had been forwarded from Bob Rodgers to the CPC for the WHRHS recreation area equipment. Laura was unclear exactly when the equipment will be delivered, but John commented that he observed some recent deliveries. Laura said she also signed a \$9,000 bill tonight for blacktop of the basketball court. She said that there have been indications that an unveiling ceremony for the recreation area may take place in the near future. Laura reiterated Bob’s success in securing donations for the project. Patty summarized the nature of the project for Teresa.

Laura said that Jim Flanagan emailed her saying that he has finally received three bids for the work that remains on the Camp Kiwanee North Cabins. Laura said that she reminded him of procurement procedures and asked that he get in touch with Town Administrator, Michael McCue.

Laura informed the committee that she received an email from Mr. McCue stating that he wants to meet with the sub-committee regarding the RFP proposals that were received. For Teresa’s benefit,

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Laura explained the committee's intention to hire a consultant. On Teresa's inquiry as to the purpose of the consultant, Laura asked Shirley to send her the recent minutes, but Teresa said she would instead view them from the website.

Tom asked Laura to clarify whether a change in timing concerning the consultant would matter. As the RFP was written, their work would begin on July 1 through December 1. Laura responded that strict adherence to the prior timeline is not prudent in light of the fact that the timeline relating to the hiring of the consultant was shifted to a later date. After some discussion about the RFP language, it was agreed that the sub-committee is charged with the hiring decision, but that their recommendation must be approved by vote of the full committee.

As far as the date that the consultant will begin work, John pointed out that the Open Space Committee meets on June 22 to finalize their Open Space Plan and it would be advantageous for the consultant to have been hired by that date and in attendance at the meeting. From discussion it appears that a decision on the consultant will not be made in such short order. John further stated that his CPC term ends at the end of June and questioned if the sub-committee can go on with only two members in case he is not re-appointed. Laura said that there is no designated sub-committee size, and in that respect, the two remaining members would be fine.

Tom said that the sub-committee will meet with Mr. McCue as soon as they are able to schedule a time. Laura stated that she was planning not to hold a July meeting, but if the sub-committee makes a consultant recommendation, it may be necessary to meet briefly in order to obtain the full committee approval.

Old Business

**Bonney House** – Allan said the North Bennet Street School will return in July to work on the Bonney House. Laura said that she received an email from Derrick in which he expressed his concerns about structural issues that he feels need to be addressed before the South Shore Vocational Technical students return in September to finish the siding. Laura will forward the email to members. Patty will print it and deliver it to Allan.

**Botieri Fields/Town Forest Project** – John asked about the status of the Town Forest kiosks and signs that he thought were part of the Botieri Fields/Town Forest project. Laura said that all money allocated to that project has not been spent and asked Shirley to follow-up with Phil Clemons.

**Whitman-Hanson Regional High School Recreation Area** – [This was discussed during the Chairman's Report.]

**Camp Kiwanee** – [This was discussed during the Chairman's Report.]

**Plymouth County Hospital** – Laura said the final meeting of the Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Committee is this coming Tuesday, with a report expected to be forthcoming.

**Monponsett Playground** – Laura asked Shirley to contact Don Ellis to find out where he stands with the Monponsett Playground.

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**Smitty's Bog** – John said that the Conservation Commission approved the figures toward the gate and signage at Smitty's Bog. He is also aware of a bill that was paid for tree removal in the area. Laura updated Teresa on the CPC's efforts to work with the Open Space Committee on improving the Smitty's Bog area.

**Historical Commission House Inventories** – With the resignation of Michelle Millis, the Historical Commission is down to three members and does not regularly meet. Laura stated her concern in light of the house inventories that need to be completed, as well as the upcoming Hanson 2020. She said it needs to be brought to the attention of the Board of Selectmen. Teresa asked for clarification on the roles of the Historical Commission and the Hanson Historical Society. Both Teresa and Tom expressed interest on being appointed to the Historical Commission. Kenny said that he will see to it that the Board of Selectmen post the commission's vacancies.

**CPC Plan Consultant** – [This was discussed during the Chairman's Report.]

New Business

Tom asked for confirmation that the CPC expects to have no articles for the October town meeting. Laura agreed.

Kenny stated that his term ends this month and that he is stepping down. Robby O'Brien has agreed to act as the Parks & Fields representative for CPC. Kenny commented on the good work that has been done since the adoption of CPA in Hanson and hopes that the community might one day consider increasing the surcharge in order to accomplish even more. Laura said that the committee will continue to support that possibility as well.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the CPC will be held on Wednesday, August 10 at 7:00 PM, at the Town Hall. The committee may be asked to meet briefly in July if a vote is needed for the hiring of the consultant.

Adjournment:

Patty made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John, and approved 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Schindler, Clerk  
Community Preservation Committee