

Community Preservation Committee
Town of Dennis
Wednesday, March 21, 2012
6:30 P.M.
Town Hall

- 1) Call to order: The meeting was convened at 6:37 P. M. with a quorum of 5 out of 7 present; Henry Kelley, Frank Dahlstrom, Burt Derick, Sheryl McMahon and Juan Donlin.
Guests: Kathy Malkasian and Richard Chase, teachers from the Wixon School.
- 2) Minutes of February 9th: Juan moved to accept as amended, seconded by Burt, all in favor, so voted.
Minutes of February 22nd: Frank D. moved to accept as amended, seconded by Juan, with a vote of 4-0-1 (Burt), so voted.
- 3) Review 2012 application form: The committee approved.
- 4) Bill for repairs at Swan Lake Cemetery (\$13,800)
(Article 6 at Special Town Meeting 2010 - \$22,000): Frank D. moved to approve the payment of \$13,800, seconded by Sheryl, a vote of 4-0-1 (Burt), so voted. Henry will notify the Town Accountant. That will leave a new balance of \$4,350 to be used for the work to continue. Burt had a disc of the project for Frank D. for the power point at the meeting on March 27th.
- 5) McNeill Affordable Housing update: Henry had handouts of the financial summary:
Income - \$3,537,500
Expenses – (\$3,114,750)
Profit (loss) - \$422,750
Sheryl stated that Kevin is in contact with Rick White, Town Administrator on the status of this project. Sheryl moved to rescind the article for Town Warrant, Burt still does not agree with how Kevin handled the correspondence with the CPC over the years. He would like to see the article stay on the warrant; (the article would rescind the funding). Sheryl stated that Kevin has spent a lot of time and money. Kevin is trying to get this done and wants to continue with the project. Burt stated that Sheryl, at a prior meeting, said she would agree to bring it town meeting to have it rescinded. Burt would like to see it stay on the warrant. Frank D. stated that the town meeting was the “end date” for any action? However, Kevin has been in contact now and should be able to continue. Henry stated, that no one has said it’s not a project to benefit the town. Henry’s concern is Kevin may not get the funding from the bank. If that happens, he thinks it should be rescinded. Sheryl moved, seconded by Henry to rescind the previous vote to rescind funding at Town meeting. He will instruct town staff NOT to place the article on the warrant at this time. A vote of 4-1-0 with Burt opposed. So voted.
- 6) March 27th CPC public hearing preparation (Juan & Frank D):
 - A) legal ad: Has been written and published
 - B) Power Point practice: Frank D. stated Dorria sent him the copy from last year. Dates and times have been updated. Frank will contact Steve Buss in the IT Dept. Frank continued with the process for the presentation. Henry will begin the public hearing. CPC members will introduce themselves. The presentation will show funding at \$1,249,000 (-) debt service leaving \$336,800 for funding possible grants. At the end of the presentation there

will be questions, if any, from the audience. Sheryl will look at the schedule for the March 27th meeting and notify the CPC of the time, for a brief CPC meeting (prior to the Public Hearing,) to finalize a CPC annual budget for FY 2013.

- 7) Unanticipated business: Guests; Kathy Malkasian and Richard Chase (Phys. Ed teachers at Wixon School) came in to ask the CPC if an idea for a project would fall under the CPA requirements. They stated that because the lower gym is not used enough, they would like to install a multi-use climbing system in an existing town facility. It would be a 60' traverse wall and a 24' climbing rope wall, with a cost of \$36,436. This would benefit both students and residents of the town. They continued by explaining the benefit of this system. After discussion, Burt asked about maintenance. Kathy stated it would be inspected every year. Richard stated that this would come out of the sports budget. He has discussed this with Dustin Pineau, Recreation Coordinator for the Town, regarding certification of the wall. Sheryl is concerned about "public" accessibility. Burt's concern is "after hours" and security. He would like to see a specific schedule for use. Kathy asked if the CPA guidelines fit this project. Henry stated that two years ago the Coalition stated recreation funds could only be for sites purchased by CPA funds. However, the CPC will inquire with the Coalition. Henry will ask the general question, then the specific question for this project.

Burt told the CPC that he elected not to be reappointed to the CPC and asked the members of the Historical Commission of their interest, no one was available due to prior commitments. Tonight will be Burt's last meeting as a member of CPC. Henry praised Burt's exceptional service on the committee.

- 8) Next meeting: March 27, 2012 – Public Hearing @ 6:45 P. M.
- 9) Adjournment: Frank moved to adjourn at 8:05 P. M., seconded by Juan, so voted.