

**Meeting Minutes of the  
Town of Dennis  
Community Preservation Committee  
July 13, 2023 - 7pm  
Prue Meeting Room**

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Dennis Town Clerk  
September 12, 2023  
8:30 AM**

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**This meeting took place both in person at Dennis Town Hall and remotely via conference phone** pursuant to the law signed by Governor Baker on June 16, 2021 - An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted during the State of Emergency, which includes an extension, until March 31, 2023, of the remote meeting provisions of his March 12, 2020 Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

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**Members Present:** Chairman Chris Foley, William Clark, William Collins, Henry Kelley, Frank Dahlstrom, Cynthia Stead, Brad Bishop; via Zoom Jeff Treiber

**Members Absent:** Chris Lambton

**Public Attendance:** Don Kelley and Robert Poskitt

**Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum, Meeting Participation Statement and Recording Statement**

Chair Foley called the meeting to order at 7pm and read the meeting participation and recording statements.

**1. Review and vote for funding of applications from:**

**a. Friends of Bass River Upper Bass River Watershed Restoration Project**

Chair Foley gave a brief description of the grant application. He then asked for a motion to fund the application in the amount of **\$99,000 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserves** to the Friend of Bass River as outlined in their application.

**Mr. Kelley moved the motion as stated. Mrs. Stead seconded the motion and via roll call vote all members voted in favor; 8-0-0.**

**b. Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox Baseball Club Red Wilson Field Fan Safety Project**

Chair Foley gave a description of the grant application. He added that the Dennis-Yarmouth School District sent a letter to the CPC in support of the project. Chair Foley then asked for a motion to fund the application in the amount of **\$100,000 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserves** to the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox Baseball Club.

**Mr. Dahlstrom moved the motion as stated. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and via roll call vote all members voted in favor; 8-0-0.**

**c. Dennis Department of Public Works Dennis Village Cemetery Preservation and Repairs**

Chair Foley gave a description of the grant application's purpose. He then asked for a motion to fund the application in the amount up to **\$41,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserves** to the Department of Public Works for the Dennis Village Cemetery Preservation and Repair as outlined in their application.

**Mr. Clark moved the motion as stated. Mr. Dahlstrom seconded the motion and all members voted in favor via roll call vote; 8-0-0.**

**d. Dennis Historical Commission American Revolution Memorial**

Chair Foley gave a brief description of the purpose of the grant application. He then asked for a motion to fund the application in the amount of **\$5,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserves** to the Dennis Historical Commission.

**Mr. Collins moved the motion as stated. Mr. Dahlstrom seconded the motion and all members voted in favor via roll call vote; 8-0-0.**

**e. West Dennis Graded School House - Architectural and Consulting Services for the West Dennis Graded School House**

Chair Foley gave a description of the purpose of the grant application. He noted that for accounting procedures, it would be much easier to grant the monies to the owner of the building, the Town of Dennis and have the funds administered through the Department of Public Works. Mr. Poskitt, who submitted the application on behalf of the West Dennis Graded School House Committee, agreed to the Town overseeing the funds. Chair Foley then asked for a motion to grant up to **\$45,400 from the Historic Preservation Reserves** to the Department of Public works for work as outlined in the application.

**Mr. Collins moved the motion as stated. Mr. Dahlstrom seconded the motion and all members voted in favor via roll call vote; 8-0-0.**

**f. Josiah Dennis Manse Committee - Architectural and Consulting Services for Josiah Dennis Manse Preservation and Repair**

Chair Foley gave a brief description of the purpose of the grant application. He noted again that for accounting procedures, it would be much easier to grant the minutes to the owner of the building, the Town of Dennis and have the funds administered through the Department of Public Works. Ms. Rochelle, who submitted the application, has agreed to this change. Chair Foley then asked for a motion to grant up to **\$28,358 from Historic Preservation Reserves** to the Department of Public Works for work as outlined in the application.

**Mr. Dahlstrom moved the motion as stated. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, Mr. Foley voted in opposition, all others voted in favor; 7-0-1.**

**g. Cape Cod Center for the Arts, Inc.**

Chair Foley gave a brief description of the purpose of the grant application. He then asked for a motion to grant up to \$615,350, consisting of \$91,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserve Fund, \$524,350 the Undesignated Reserve Fund to the Cape Cod Center for the Arts, Inc. for work as outlined in the application.

**Mr. Collins moved the motion as stated. Mr. Dahlstrom seconded the motion. Via roll call vote, Mr. Bishop voted in opposition, all others voted in favor; 7-0-1.**

**2. Review of Open Meeting Law requirements for minutes.**

Chair Foley indicated that since Mr. Lambton was not able to attend the meeting tonight, this discussion will be deferred until a future meeting.

**3. Minutes from March 9, 2023 and May 25, 2023**

Mr. Kelley noted a correction that needed to be made to the March 9 minutes.

The approval of minutes is deferred.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 27, 2023.

**Mr. Clark made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Dahlstrom seconded the motion and all voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amanda Lapierre  
Recording Secretary

Documents Reviewed and Available Upon Request

No documents were reviewed.