

Town of Hull Community Preservation Committee

Minutes: October 15, 2018

The October 15, 2018 meeting of the Community Preservation Committee was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

Attending: Jason McCann, Co-Chair; Fulvia Quilici Matteucci, Co-Chair; Sarah Das, Treasurer; Jim Ianiri, Secretary; Jim Richmond; Greg Grey (left meeting at 8:10pm)

Absent: Lou Sorgi

Also in attendance were Lori West, Town Clerk; Polly Rowe, citizen; Randy Gould, citizen; Susan Ovans, Hull Times; and Carol Costello, Hingham CPA administrator

Summary of Discussion

Started with discussion on pre-application submission from Lori West, Town Clerk. Fulvia discussed the evaluation of the Historic Commission of the documents that Lori West is seeking and indicated that they were deemed eligible for historic designation. Lori circulated a presentation regarding the historical documents that was presented to the Historic Commission. Documents surveyed dated from 1600s to 1950. Jason raised the issue of whether the records are town property and may need evaluation by the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen. Lori indicated that she did not meet with the Capital Outlay Committee regarding the project. More discussion occurred regarding getting estimates. Carol Costello suggested reaching out to the Historic Commissioner in Hingham because Hingham approved funding for a similar project. Jim Richman asked questions regarding the funding and how it will be broken down (she provided a quote from Kofile Technologies). Additional discussion took place regarding the nature of the archives. Lori indicated the documents are useful for genealogy, history and in legal matters.

Lori had no further questions and plans to submit a full application regarding the project.

Next moved onto a discussion from Randy Gould, 2 Cushing Street, regarding a full application submission for the Village Fire Station Re-Shingling. Randy decided to submit because the Committee indicated that it had not received any applications from the Town for projects. Randy discussed the nature of the project. Fulvia indicated that the requirement is that the restoration be done according to the Secretary of the Interior Standards. Randy mentioned some of the updates that he would suggest might not fit historical standards, but they might be more practical and durable. Randy heard from the Fire Chief that they were supposed to get a grant to retrofit the building, but that has not yet occurred. Randy indicated that this is something he is looking at for the long-term and there is a lot more he needs to do to update his application.

Randy will move forward by connecting with the Historic Commission, the Fire Department and the Board of Selectmen. He will investigate if there are other studies and grant applications out there.

Jim Richman next discussed an application submitted on behalf of the Hull Housing Authority. The request is for a generator at the community center. Carol indicated that this not may not meet the qualifications under the community housing criteria. It was determined that it fit under the “preserve” criteria versus the “rehabilitation” criteria given that the housing was not created with CPA funds.

Jim will follow-up with the Hull Housing Authority.

Discussion moved to questions for Carol Costello. She recommends a process where the final application deadline is final and if the application is not complete, wait to next year. Carol recommends a process where the pre-application is due in August. Carol presented an estimated budget based on the pre-applications that we have received and estimate amounts. Fulvia indicated she spoke with Chris DiIorio about any additional applications received and Chris indicated he will submit full applications on behalf of the town. There was a discussion of conducting feasibility studies for projects that are not ready.

Motion made by Fulvia for the CPC not to consider applications not completed by November 1st except for unique opportunities that are time sensitive in nature. Sarah seconded. Unanimous vote.

Discussion moved to assigning projects to different Committee members for outreach before final application deadline.

Additional questions were asked of Carol regarding next steps, particularly regarding getting the applications to Town Meeting.

The committee adjourned at 9:45pm. on a motion by Jason and seconded by Jim Ianiri. Its next meeting will be on Monday, November 5, at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jason McCann, Secretary