

Community Preservation Committee

January 26, 2016

Police Station Conference Room

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chair Mike Dissette called a regular meeting of the Community Preservation Committee to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

In attendance were members Mike Dissette, Don Little, Judith Grohe, Paul Healy, Steve Sawyer and Jane Healey. Dan Koen, Leah McGavern and Sarah White were absent.

3. Minutes

The approval of the minutes of the October 27, 2015 meeting was tabled.

4. General Business

Mike Dissette moved to pay the annual dues for the Community Preservation Coalition in the amount of \$2,875. He said the Coalition is a resource for technical information and an advocate for the Community Preservation Act. Paul Healy seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The figures on the anticipated funds to be available for award in the FY17 grant cycle are not yet available.

Mike Dissette said under the City Charter each board is to make an annual report to the City Council that includes a mission statement, a list of members, the responsibilities of the board and its FY16 accomplishments. He will prepare the report. Jane Healey volunteered to assist him.

5. Project Updates

Updates were received on the Newburyport High School Façade Restoration, the Firehouse Center for the Arts Roof Repair, the NHA Community Building Rehabilitation Feasibility and Design and the Old Hill and Oak Hill Gravestone Restoration. Jane Healey pointed out the report on the Kelleher Park Community Building stated the group is waiting for the funds to be available. The funds became available in October. Mike Dissette will ask Dianne Boisvert to contact them.

The Committee members briefly discussed preservation restrictions and the responsibility for their monitoring. The restriction on the High School façade is to be held by the Newburyport Preservation Trust. Sarah White should be able to provide more information on the topic.

6. Upcoming Schedule

The FY2017 grant applications will be due Thursday, February 11 at 5:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the CPC will be held on Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment

Mike Dissette moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Judith Grohe seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.