



Town of Hingham Community Preservation Committee

Committee Minutes from February 16, 2016 / Central South 2nd floor
11th meeting of the season

MEETING CONVENED:

Bob Curley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Also in attendance from CPC were Vicki Donlan, Paul Gannon, Tony Kiernan, Kathleen Peters, Carol Pyles, Gary Tondorf-Dick and Jim Watson. Unable to attend: Scott McIsaac. AdCom liaisons in attendance: Dan Coughlin, Lucy Hancock, Donna Smallwood and Tom Belyea

LEHNER PROPERTY:

The only topic on agenda was the Lehner Property. Chair Bob Curley announced that this meeting was to provide further information and consideration on the Lehner Property. CPC is asked to vote on the recommendation of \$500,000 being used for the initial purchase and to vote on bonding the remainder \$4,500,000. This will allow ample funds for other community projects assuming a \$4.5 million bond payable over 20 years.

Charlie Berry, from Open Space Committee and Dan Coughlin, from Advisory addressed the committee with the following:

- Presented an appraisal for \$4.3MM
- Open Space committee would still seek a State LAND grant for this acquisition.
- This property is the last piece of land that will connect with the water supply of the Town.
- Free Street's well feeds Town's drinking water – in 2015 the percentage was 57%.
- If acquired, it would become conservation property and maintained by Conservation Department.

CPC members agreed that this an investment for our Town's water supply in the future. Protecting national drinking water supplies was one of the original purposes of the CPA Open Space. They all agreed that this is an important parcel and support the acquisition.

Finalizing the discussion, CPC decided to wait to vote until they receive a final appraisal and number from Charlie Berry.

At 7:48 pm Vicki Donlan made a motion to adjourn; 2nd by Gary Tondorf-Dick - all in favor.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS USED AT THIS MEETING

1. Agenda for CPC Meeting of Feb 16, 2016
2. Pro forma bond amortization schedule
3. Example of Heritage Museums warrant article from ATM2013

Respectfully Submitted by Carol Costello

NEXT MEETINGS:

April 6th – CPC meeting

April 25th – ATM

May 18th – CPC meeting

June 15th – Final CPC meeting