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Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2024

The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee met in person and remotely at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2024 in the Town Hall Mural Room.

Members Present: Tag Carpenter, Vice Chair; Tony Kelso, Bri Leing (video), Kathy Palmer (video), Kathy Cross (video)

Members Absent: Holly Morris, David Uitti, and Cynthia Ladd Fiorini

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator, and Allison Shane, Principal Assistant

Mr. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and read the Governor's Preamble: pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting will be conducted in person and, as a courtesy, via remote means in accordance with applicable law. Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided, the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if there are technological problems, unless required by law.

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Kelso suggested having these meetings as 9 a.m. and everyone agreed. No vote was required.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING COC ARTICLE REVIEW

Ms. Rufo reported that Nancy O'Connor posted an agenda for Town Meeting. CPC is planning to meet around lunchtime and Ms. Cross will take notes.

Mr. Carpenter is planning to present at Town Meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to review the CPC articles and run through any potential questions that may arise at Town Meeting.

At the March 1, 2024 CPC meeting, the committee re-voted the town clock quote to \$25,000. Mr. Carpenter explained that the new quote was adjusted to account for prevailing wages. The Selectboard voted the new amount during their Monday meeting and FINCOM will vote on it the morning of Town Meeting. A discussion followed on the history of the clock and potential questions that may arise.

Mr. Carpenter mentioned a *Duxbury Clipper* editorial article about the Girl Scout House article being Indefinitely Postponed. A discussion followed on the IP procedure at Town Meeting and potential amendments to fund the design of the building. It was agreed that Mr. Carpenter would discuss his questions with Rene Read, Town Manager.

Ms. Rufo anticipated there may be some questions about extinguishing debt on the Ricker property and public access to the Ricker property. The chain and no parking sign are still there to retain the cranberry growers' primary access. Ms. Rufo explained she will be putting up a Conservation/CPC traditional sign and is getting the Ricker's feedback for where to locate the public's parking. Due to the fresh fruit bogs, absolutely no dogs are allowed, but it is open for walking. Mr. Carpenter shared feedback on the sign Ms. Rufo displayed that the language should explicitly state "no dogs" instead of "no pets (including dogs)."

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The remaining CPC Town Meeting Articles were reviewed with no discussion.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Ms. Shane is going to check with Nancy O'Connor to confirm she has the CPC presentation.

Some members were unable to open the meeting minutes document. Ms. Shane will resend the meeting minutes for the March 21 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kelso made a motion, seconded by Ms. Leing, to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 a.m. The motion passed unanimously 5 to 0 on a roll call vote: Ms. Palmer: yes; Mr. Kelso: yes; Ms. Leing: yes; Ms. Cross: yes; Mr. Carpenter: yes.

The next Community Preservation Committee meeting is on March 21, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.