COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TOWN HALL, DUNSTABLE, MA

2/14/2024, 6:30 PM,

Present: Joan Simmons, Carol Bacon, Leah Basbanes, Alan Chaney, Jean Haight, Jon Hughes, Catherine Irzyk

Guests: Barbara Blanco, Jean Phalen, Brian Weilbrenner

Meeting Minutes: The Meeting Minutes for 10/11/2023 were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Leah and seconded by Jean. The minutes were passed by unanimous vote.

AGENDA:

Funding request from Dunstable Parks and Recreation to complete well work at Larter Field.

Five of the seven wells were repaired in 2023 with funds secured from the CPC. The other 2 wells pumps were replaced by the Parks funds. Well #5 failed during the summer after the well work was completed. N.E. Well and Pump CO., LLC submitted a cost of $5,970 to fix well #5 and highly recommended the last existing well be fixed at the same time. The CPA funding request is 11,940 to complete the well project. Alan Chaney made the motion to complete the well work of all seven wells with N.E. Well and Pump CO. for the cost of $11,940 to be paid from the Recreation funding. This was seconded by Jon and the vote was unanimous.

Funding request from the Lake Massapoag Rod And Gun Club to eradicate invasive species

Brian discussed the need for funds to eradicate the Curley Leaf infestation at Massapoag Pond. Suggestions were made to discuss the potential cause of lawn fertilization and septic systems draining into the lake as a cause of continued growth with members of the homeowners around the lake. Alan Chaney made the motion to fund the project of weed control for preservation of Lake Massapoag at a cost of $3500.00 to be paid from the unreserved fund. Leah seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Appoint member to the Master Plan implementation Committee.

The purpose of this committee is to review and advocate for the implementation of the recommendations made previously by the committee, and to report annually at Town Meetings. Catherine stated she is on the committee representing the Historical Commission and would serve as dual purpose. Alan made the motion for Catherine to represent the committee. Leah seconded. Motion passed.

Possible discussion on wall repair at Rideout Cemetery

The wall needs repair as it is collapsing. This will be added to next meeting's agenda. No further discussion.

Other:

Morgan's Pond: Survey plan approved by the Planning Board. Conservation restriction submitted and management plan is being worked by Alan.

Woodward Dam:

Contractor work is being done by the Stevens' Group who are currently examining the sink holes.

With no further business, Leah made a motion to adjourn, and Jean seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Submitted by Catherine Irzyk, Secretary