

Community Preservation Committee (CPC) Meeting Minutes
Public Hearing All Boards Meeting
14 November 2017 Shutesbury Town Hall

CPC Members Present: Allen Hanson/CPC Co-Chairman and Finance Committee Representative, Rita Farrell/ CPC Co-Chair and Professional Representative of Municipal Housing Authority, Michael DiChiara/Selectman Chair, Linda Avis Scott/Conservation Committee Representative, Susan Essig/Open Space Committee Representative, Margie Tighe-Saporito/Community Member at Large, Chris

Members Absent: James Aaron/Planning Board Representative, Susan Essig/Open Space Committee Representative

Guests: All Boards Meeting

Public Comment Period: Allen Hanson opened the Public Hearing at 7:00pm.

Discussion Topics:

- I. 1. Allen opened the Public Hearing by reading the following notice:
Shutesbury Community Preservation Committee

Notice of Public Hearing

Tuesday November 14, 2017

“The Shutesbury Community Preservation Committee will hold a public hearing, as per the Community Preservation Act, in the Shutesbury Town Hall meeting room. This annual informational hearing will allow public input on the needs, possibilities, and resources of the town regarding community preservation possibilities and resources.”

2. Allen informs the group that money is available and there are so far no applications for CPC funding this year. Allen invites any/all ideas and suggestions that the money may be used for.

-Susie Moser suggests some potential possibility for community housing. Rita responds offering ideas for “Recreation,” and/or “Historical” concerns reminding us there is no official Community Housing Board in Shutesbury.

-Gary Bernhard asks about community clean-up/ volunteers and possible use of funds for roadside and public property.

-Fred Hartwell suggests silt clean-up for Lake Wyola, North Cove primary water inlet, his concerns are about the depth of the lake being reduced because of silt build-up, perhaps a dredging process that might be helped with additional CPC funding.

Allen and Rita both suggests that Fred come to a CPC meeting for further discussion and consideration since it may be feasible.

- George Arvanitis suggests a housing project ie an apartment complex for elder citizens using CPC funds
- a question arises regarding the total CPC funds available this year: Allen and Linda respond: approximately \$300,000.00 allocated Funds.
- Someone suggests using CPC funds for an additional place/space for town records to be kept, since we seem to be running out of space.

3. Allen once again encourages all to view the Shutesbury Town webpage CPC section and the CPA Community Preservation Coalition Webpage (www.communitypreservation.org) for all information regarding eligibility of proposals, and thorough examples/ideas for all.
4. Rita stresses the importance of good communication. She urges any individual or group interested in submitting an application to consult the appropriate board or committee that will be involved prior to the application submission: historic preservation, community housing, and open space/recreation.
5. Allen, Rita and Michael end the hearing thanking everyone and inviting them to consider what has been said at this hearing and encouraging new ideas for CPC funding, since we have paid the CPC dues again for this year.
Again, all are welcome, encouraged and invited to attend the Public Comment period at CPC meetings.

II. Adjourn: voted to adjourn at 7:22pm

III. Documents and Other Items Used at Meeting:

1. Shutesbury Community Preservation Committee Notice of Public Hearing

These Minutes are respectfully submitted by,
Margie Tighe-Saporito
Community Preservation Committee, Community Member at Large