

CPC Meeting Minutes, March 14, 2012

7:30 PM

The Kingsbury Room
Wellesley Police Station

The Wellesley Community Preservation Committee met at 7:30 PM in the Kingsbury Room at the Wellesley Police Station.

Present were the following CPC members: Tony Parker (Chair), Allan Port (Vice Chair), Joan Gaughan, Barbara McMahon, Bob Goldkamp and Dwight Lueth. Absent were: Stephen Murphy, Don McCauley, and Jim Conlin. Susan Minio, CPC administrative assistant, was also present.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Citizen Speak

No Citizens were present or chose to speak.

Update of Fuller Brook Park Project by the Fuller Brook Park Coordinating Committee

Handout: Fuller Brook Park Preservation Project Phase 3 Public Meeting #1 presentation

FBPCC members in attendance: Rose Mary Donahue, At-Large Member, Bob White, Trails, and David Wright, Historical Commission.

Rose Mary Donahue updated the CPC on the current state of the project. BETA is doing addition work around the pathway regarding width and materials. The width would adjust to usage of the current pathway varying from 6-7feet in width to 8 where there is high trafficked areas. In the very wet areas with poor drainage, it will be less expensive and easier to maintain the pathway by gently realignment its route. There will be additional times for the abutters to hear about developments and offer their input.

Steve Fader, the project manager, is keep the project on track and is working closely with the different groups and individuals involved in the project. The team is working well and the project is progressing as expected. Phase one tree work is virtually complete. In the next three months, there will be further work, technical drawing of the path, stream work, and soil analysis to ensure that the correct type of path is installed successfully. Permitting will begin late summer.

Barbara McMahon raised the issue of the rehabilitation of the playing fields near the pathways. It appears that this work won't impact the path and construction issues. There will be open discussion between the groups.

David Wright noted that his role on the project is to ensure that the work stays true to the historical nature and character of the park.

The Chair raised the point that the FBPCC may want to consider the state requirements regarding historical significance. The playing fields were a stumbling block at the National Level. The Chair noted that they may want to give thought to the requirements for the National Registry and the needs of the Town to ensure they are aligned.

Application for Funding from Wellesley Housing Authority for \$70,000 for Air Conditioning

Pamela Allen, Director Needham/Wellesley Housing Authority, came before the CPC to request \$70,000 to pay for professional air conditioning installation to the recently renovated Waldo Court family complex at 50 Linden Street.

The Chair opened the conversation: Can the project be supported and when would it be presented to the Town? The Vice Chair noted that he would support the request, however, it was late to add this to the current Town Meeting and noted that he was unaware that there would be a Special Town Meeting as ATM begins one week from Monday. There was a short discussion surrounding the cost and viability of this system. The Chair asked if the CPC would support this application for this Town Meeting or in the future? There was support for the request. The Chair will speak with Town Counsel and Advisory to see if there is the opportunity to put this request forth at this Town Meeting and come back to Ms. Allen and the CPC for next steps.

Advisory Report and Five-Year Plan

The Vice Chair presented the final version of the Five-Year plan and made a motion to approve and accept the report. Joan Gaughan seconded the motion and after a vote the motion to approve carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

CPC is not required to hold a public hearing. The Chair and Vice Chair will attend the precinct meetings.

Invoice approval

Fuller Brook Park Project submitted an invoice but FBPCC has the ability to approve and pay these invoices. CPC administrative assistant will communicate the new approvals process to FBPCC and Accounts Payable.

Minutes approval

Joan Gaughan moved to approve the minutes for the February 8, 2012 meeting. Allan Port seconded the motion. After a vote the motion to approve the minutes as submitted carried unanimously.