

## Community Preservation Committee Minutes – January 20, 2009

CPC Members Present: Kit Bowry, Brad Boyd, Jim Conlin, Rose Mary Donahue, Joan Gaughan, Dona Kemp, Jack Morgan, Tony Parker, Helen Robertson

Others Present: Bob Sechrest, 15 Allen Rd., Caren Parker (Advisory Rep)

Chair Jack Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, Town Hall, Great Hall

Citizen Speak: No citizens addressed the CPC. However, a citizen appeared for the Public Hearing. At 7:35 PM the meeting was adjourned and the Public Hearing held. At 7:50 after the adjournment of the public hearing the meeting was resumed.

Approval of Minutes - The minutes of 10/1/08, 12/2/08 and 12/17/08 were further perfected and approved unanimously.

Approval of Invoice for Payment - The payment of \$3,000 for a storage container for the original town hall materials was approved unanimously.

WHS Tower - Bob Sechrest discussed the preservation of the High School tower. He is seeking funding for engineering services to assess the technical feasibility and approximate cost of preserving all or part of the tower, perhaps in connection with another civic building to be built on the site. He is also seeking funding via the annual town meeting (article 42 of the warrant). He was advised to seek the involvement and endorsement of the Historical Commission and the Wellesley High School History Working Group.

Housing Proposals - There was a broad discussion of the three housing proposals. Mrs. Gaughan moved and Mrs. Robertson seconded approval of up to \$700,000 funding for the Waldo Court project, contingent on the \$1.5 million state funding. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was general support for the proposed Barton Rd. development plan proposal, but the Committee needed to clarify whether Community Preservation funding should be contingent on the anticipated \$50,000 state funding or whether a non-contingent Community Preservation appropriation of \$50,000 would be useful without the state funding. Mr. Boyd will seek clarification on this. This will be taken up at a later CPC meeting.

Mr. Parker moved and Ms. Donahue seconded approval of \$350,000 funding for Wellesley Housing Development Corporation. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm