

CPC Meeting–November 14, 2012
7:30PM
The Warren Building

The Wellesley Community Preservation Committee met at 7:30 pm in the Warren School Building.

Present were the following CPC members: Allan Port (Chair), Jeanne Conroy, Joan Gaughan, Kathy Egan, Dwight Lueth and Jim Conlin. Absent were Tony Parker, Barbara McMahon and Susan Troy.

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

No citizens chose to speak.

Update on New and Existing Projects:

Wellesley Historical Society – Dadmun-McNamara House: the project update was postponed until next month.

Fuller Brook Project: Rose Mary Donahue and Bob White from the Fuller Brook Park Coordinating Committee and Steve Fader, the Project Manager, attended the meeting and gave an update on the project. They have prepared a Phase 3 Report summarizing the 3rd Quarter 2012 work on the project. Two public meetings were held on October 25 and 26 and both were well attended.

The consultants are close to completion of 60% design plans that will be used for the permitting process. Federal, state and local permits will be required and plans can't be finalized until the permitting process is completed. There has been some additional delineation of wetlands and some portion of the path may need to be relocated.

Steve Fader is monitoring the consultant's invoices closely.

The committee doesn't plan to come back for additional funds in 2013 unless something extraordinary happens. They anticipate asking for construction funds at the Spring 2014 Town Meeting.

Electric Substation: Ms. Searle, from the Board of Selectmen, and Joe McDonough, the director of the town's Facilities Maintenance Department attended the meeting and reported on plans to renovate the electric substation building for use by the Facilities Maintenance Department which currently does not space where all of the department's managers can be centrally located. The electric substation building is a historic building according to the Historical Commission. The work that could be potentially funded by CPA funds includes replacement of the copper roof, an elevator for handicap accessibility, new windows and some masonry work.

Mr. Lueth commented that the Historical Commission noted that historic preservation will require an architect be engaged with historic preservation credentials.

Barbara Searle will submit a short form application and will arrange for another tour of the building by CPC members.

Hills Library Chimney: Dwight Lueth met with library representatives and a member of the Board of Selectmen regarding the Hills Library chimney. The chimney is being examined to determine what work is required to restore it. They need to have a preservation architect involved in the examination. They also plan to make the fireplace in the library functional.

Cluster Zoning: Jeanne Conroy stated that members of the Planning Board and staff are still reviewing the by law provisions drafted by their consultant and they are seeking additional comments on the proposed by law from other interested parties, including the Natural Resources Commission.

The Chair moved to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded. After a vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.