

23 Apr 2020/ 7:00 PM Virtual Meeting on Zoom

Start: 7:00

Attendees: Mary King, Charley Eiseman, Carol Pike, Tony Matteo, Lara Dubin and Bob Henry.

Not Present: Robin Conley and Tammy Pelletier

CALVIN T. SWAN Restoration Project Submission for labor and materials for historical home-stead cellar holes site and trail repairs. Discussed "urgency" based on erosion concerns and limited availability of the North Quabbin Trails labor force. Joanne McGee joined meeting to present information and answer questions.

FINAL request is for CPC to fund \$1,290 of a total project cost of \$1,390.

MOTION made by Bob Henry, seconded by Tony Matteo, for CPC to fund \$1,290.00, seconded and unanimously APPROVED.

Continued discussion as to how to categorize these projects; Steeple is mostly Historical but the Swan Project can be categorized as Recreation/Community or Historical as it is representative of both.

1st PARISH STEEPLE Project updated/modified submission which is now just painting of the steeple containing the Town Clock. Painting which is required as part of extensive repairs being performed on the steeple due to damage suspect cause by lightning strike. Original repairs are covered by 1st Parish Insurance Co with 1st Parish covering \$5,000 deductible and \$1,031.48 depreciation.

FINAL request is for CPC to fund \$14,000 for the final painting of the steeple down to the church roof line.

MOTION made by Tony Matteo, seconded by Mary King, for CPC to fund \$14,000, seconded and unanimously APPROVED.

Motion to Adjourn made by Tony Matteo, seconded by Charley Eiseman

Adjourned at 7:55

III. REVIEW STATE OF FINANCES

LD led a discussion on whether the CPC should fund this project, and the CPC's funds in general. TM noted the CPC has a great deal of unencumbered funds, and that using part of it to repair the steeple will help the town. It was noted [Mary?] that the Massachusetts Historical Commission often funds church-related structural projects that don't relate to any religious practices. BH said that the CPC should still use caution, because one could argue that by funding the construction work, it would free up the church's funding, which they can use for religious programming.

Further discussion included the possible existence of funding guidelines, and how much money the CPC currently has in its various funding accounts.

IV. DISCUSS PRESENTATION & VOTE

This item was tabled.

V. SET NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00pm.

VI. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION BY TM TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2020, WITH CORRECTIONS. RC SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

VII. CONFERENCE EXPENDITURE

MOTION BY CE TO REIMBURSE BOB HENRY FOR THE COST OF ATTENDING THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONFERENCE IN MARLBOROUGH, MA, ON MARCH 14. CP SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

VIII. ANY UNANTICIPATED BUSINESS

There was none.

IX. ADJOURN

MOTION BY CE TO ADJOURN AT 8:12PM. TM SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Submitted by Wendy M. Levy.

whereby the committee asks groups seeking funding about their financial assets, and what other outside funding sources they can seek and have sought.

IV. SET UP DATE FOR PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00pm.

V. OTHER UNANTICIPATED BUSINESS

TM reported he recently attended a working group meeting to address small-town housing, and part of that meeting's discussion was how to use CPA funds for housing. TM said there is a conference on this subject in March, in Marlborough, MA. TM asked if any CPC members were interested in attending. BH said he is interested and will look into it. A discussion ensued on possible ways the CPC can support housing in Northfield; special mention was given to the high percentage of residents age 60+ living in large, older homes.

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00pm.

VII. ADJOURN

MOTION BY TP TO ADJOURN AT 8:04PM. CE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Submitted by Wendy M. Levy from minutes taken by Wendy M. Levy and Lara Dubin.