

Community Preservation Committee

**April 5, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.
TOWN OF HANOVER**

The following minutes are from the meeting of the Hanover Community Preservation Committee held Tuesday April 5, 2011.

The following Committee members were present: Diane Campbell, William Scarpelli, John Goldthwait, Harry Dunn and Wally Kemp.

Members John Barry, Ted Pacheco, Gary Young and Jeff Puleo were absent.

The Chairman Diane Campbell opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The Committee discussed the possible purchase of property for Open Space at 120 Circuit Street. The Town has been offered the first right of refusal from the owner under Chapter 61Ll guidelines. The CPC has been asked by the Selectmen to consider whether to submit an article to the Special Town Meeting warrant supporting the use of CPA funds to purchase it. The Board of Selectmen drafted an article for the warrant. Harry made a motion to submit the article as written by the Selectmen to the 2011 Special Town Meeting warrant. Bill Scarpelli seconded the motion and it was so voted unanimously. The Committee will discuss this issue further at their next meeting. There were members who weren't sure whether they would support this at Town Meeting. They would like more details before they make their final decision. The Committee also discussed whether there were sufficient funds in the Open Space Reserve account to pay the full purchase price. They were advised that there was approximately \$450,000 in the Open Space reserve and that this purchase, because it was being brought to Special Town Meeting, could not utilize future revenue. The Committee discussed the possibility of reducing the debt service article that is being presented on the Annual Town Meeting warrant. They discussed whether to reduce that amount from \$800,000 on Town Meeting floor to leave enough funds in the Undesignated Revenue account to make up the difference. They will also discuss that option further at their next meeting.

The Committee asked the CPC Coordinator to set up a walk of the property for anyone who is interested on the weekend.

Bill Scarpelli made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Harry seconded the motion and it was so voted unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Margaret Hoffman
Community Preservation Coordinator