Community Preservation Committee

December 17, 2014 – 7:00 P.M. TOWN OF HANOVER

The following minutes are from the meeting of the Hanover Community Preservation Committee meeting held on Wednesday December 17th, 2014 in Hanover Town Hall.

The following Committee members were present: Diane Campbell, Mary Dunn, Jonathan Chu, Richard Deluca, Kevin McLeod William Scarpelli and April Manupelli

The Chairwoman Diane Campbell opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Committee reviewed the minutes from November 19, 2014. Kevin McLeod made a motion to accept the minutes from November 19, 2014 as amended. Johnathan Chu seconded the motion. All others voted in favor.

The Board was presented with a financial update presentation from Janine Smith, Hanover's Finance Director reviewing available CPA funds for FY 2016.

Available Funds:

Historical: \$472,116.00

Affordable / Community Housing: \$301,078.00

Open Space: \$193,815.00

Budgeted Reserve: \$111,557.00 Undesignated Funds: \$984,981.00

The CPC Board members were presented with formal presentation form FY2016 applicants:

- Ryan McDonald, Hanover resident and eagle scout presented an application requesting \$27,500.00 dollars to fund the proposed construction of an outdoor pergola over an existing outdoor class room at the Hanover Middle school.
- Maryann Brink, representing the Hanover Historical Society presented two applications to the Board. The Historical Society's first application request \$5,000.00 to restore Hanover's Engine 1 fire wagon which is stored in the Hanover Fire Museum. Second, the Historical Society is requesting \$1,000.00 a seed money to begin a Hanover Veteran's Oral History project.
- Maureen and Sid Elliot presented the application requesting \$150,000.00 dollars for the development of the Hanover Veterans Honor Garden a project which looks to transform a town owned piece of land adjacent from town hall and the fire station in a veteran's honor garden, honoring the six branches of the service. The project proposes the installation of a 4 side Electric Time Company, Inc., clock, made in Medfield, MA. The park will highlight the American Elm tree on the parcel which was planted by the town for the 1976 bi-centennial anniversary. The park will be maintained and adopted by Hanover Park and Rec. Rob O'Rourke, 43 Hill Side Drive spoke in support of the project.
- Peter Johnson, Chairperson of the Hanover Historical Commission and member of the Town Hall Restoration Committee and Lynn Spencer and Patrick Guthrie from the consulting Firm of Spencer and Vogt presenting the Town Hall Restoration project to the Board. The presentation reviewed the history of Hanover Town Hall built in 1864 and the current condition of the building. The Town Hall Restoration Committee is requesting 2.1 million dollars to refurbish the exterior and to

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sure up the structural integrity of Hanover Town Hall. After reviewing the proposal the CPA committee requested to the separation of the historical portion of the building, cupola repair, energy upgrades and the 1977 edition. The committee requested knowledge of grant opportunities through the Mass Green Energy Grants and the Mass Historical Grants. Chris Marin of 556 Circuit Street requested the use of new materials and technology in the rehab process.

- John Shea, representing the Board of Trustees of First Congregational Church of Hanover presented an application which requests \$80,450.00 dollars for the historical restoration and replacement of the aging window in the First Congregational Church. Mr. Shea, pointed to the facts the First Congregational Church lies in Hanover's historical district and played a major role in the development of Hanover as a town. Donald White of 94 Setterland Farm Road pointed out the historical role the church has played in the community and is open on Hanover Day. Kenton Green, of 595 Circuit Street stated he believes the replacement of the window meet the CPA funding requirements. Harold Thomas, 854 Broadway, stated the first 100 years of Hanover's History is created inside the walls of the First Congregational Church.
- Frank Evens, representing the South Shore YMCA presented an application requesting \$250,000.00 dollars under open space and recreation development for the installation of a universal sensory trail. The trail would accommodate handicapped residents throughout the south shore. Paul Beressi, 149 Birchwood Road, specified he doesn't support the YMCA application and is a misuse of tax payer funds. The YMCA would fully maintain the trail after completion. One of the South Shore YMCA goals are inclusion to all residents and the trail would be for all.

The CPC was briefed by Associate Planner; Peter Matchak on ongoing CPC funded projects: Cemetery Final Phase BID Habitat for Humanity/ 645 Center Street

Kevin McLeod made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Mary Dunn seconded the motion. All others voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Peter Matchak Town Planner