## **CARVER CPC Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: ......October 29, 2020

Called to Order: 7:12 pm

Meeting Room 1

{Present if noted\*}

\*Bob Bentley, Chair

\*Dan Badger

\*Fran Mello

\*Gail Nauen

\*Mary Ross

\*Cornelius Shea

\*Ellen Sordillo

\*Kevin Tracey

\*Darlene Whittemore, Secretary

Ms. Mello motioned to approve the minutes of October 1, 2020 as written; Mr.Shea seconded the motion and the remaining members were in agreement.

VOTE: 7 to 1 (Ms. Sordillo observed the meeting)

## **Old Business**

1. Review of on-going projects:

- a. Elementary School Fields project Ms. Ross talked to Dave Siedentopf regarding the status of the Elementary School Fields project and his response was that the project is complete. Ms. Mello stated that the Select Board voted to close the projected Chair Bentley is assuming that all aspects of the project are closed. Ms. Mello will send Chair Bentley the correspondence.
- Update on the ballfields/playground project. Ms. Ross stated that approxi**b**. mately \$7,000 remains in the Forest Street project and she inquired if it could be utilized for seed. Chair Bentley confirmed but stated it could not be used for general maintenance. Chair Bentley stated that he would consult with Ms. Lemay regarding the Ball Field. Ms. Ross stated that she received an estimate of \$8300 to add 10 feet of netting and the pole extension to 12 feet which would accomplish 29 feet on the back side of the first ball field. The backstop estimate has not yet been received but she felt that it would be less thank \$8300 and Mr. LaFond offered to split the cost with the Recreation Department. Ms. Ross also stated that a section of the netting was missed on the plan but donation funds are available. Ms. Ross stated that pieces of the bench were missing because the plan was to reuse the base which is in concrete. She also stated that the bricks are installed blending the old with the new. Mr. Shea inquired about the lifespan of the netting and Ms. Ross stated that was unknown and the over the field netting would have to be removed at a cost and could possibly be damaged.

## **New & Continuing Business:**

- 2. Bills payable. None
- 3. Discussion of potential projects.
  - a. Union Society? Mr. Moore presented an application and will also

submit it electronically. He is obtaining community letters of support and is requesting a budget of \$60,000 after consulting with two contractors. He stated that a local contractor, Mr. Ben Merritt who specializes in restoration, submitted an estimate 1/2 of the other vendor for \$55,000; Mr. Moore requests an additional \$5,000 to cover any unforeseen conditions. Mr. Moore continued to discuss that the time line is not urgent and that if approved the project could begin in the fall. He also stated that he is requesting the use of PVC material as it is mostly maintenance free. The church has been vinyl sided. He stated the financial situation as dire re porting a loss of \$3500 and a loss of \$2500 in investments but reported some funding available in endowments. He stated that there are five volunteers and no officers who share the responsibilities with Mr. John Davidson serving as Treasurer. There may be lead paint however the cost includes mitigation. Mr. Moore stated that he would attend the Town Meeting. Chair Bentley stated that historic preservation requires showing historical accuracy. Mr. Moore responded that the five contours on the spires would be an exact replication. Chair Bentley stated that the Committee would require a formal request to the Town Counsel to assess the Community Preservation Act regulations specifically relating to the separation of church and state.

- b. ConComm/Buzzards Bay? Nothing was formally submitted per Chair Bentley. Ms. Mello inquired about a better way to preserve without the use of CPC funding. Discussion ensued regarding the Buzzards Bay involvement relating to the Weweantic River.
- c. Recreation? Ms. Ross stated that she met with Mr. Lafond who contacted SERPEDD regarding the project where another meeting is planned. SERPEDD could supply a master plan. She concluded by stating nothing definitive.
- 4. Other issues which may arise. Mr. Badger stated that he has continued to research the ability to bring organizations together to assist veterans with affordable housing by renovating town owned properties. Mr. Badger met with Mr. Lafond and Mr. Walsh to identify properties and has chosen 11 Green Street as it met elements; single family, lease to purchase, vocational rehabilitation (assistance with employment training) where VA recruiters could work with case management. Other funding could become available for potential candidates who are disabled. The Committee discussed the oil spill and Mr. Badger indicated a grant that could be utilized for remediation. Mr. Badger stated that he would be asking for 50% from the CPC and that he would firm up the estimates and determine other grant sources. Ms. Sordillo inquired about other similar projects and Mr. Badger stated that there have been 2 successful projects in Middlesex County and emphasized the success of linking up programs and the need for veterans who reside in Carver. The Committee discussed the funding for materials only, lottery for applicants, and the requirement for a permanent deed restriction for a prior CPC Habitat for housing project. Chair Bentley encouraged Mr. Badger to obtain solid financial information and to get on an Agenda with the Select Board Committee. Mr. Badger also stated the need for another possible project involving 2 bridges and 2

boardwalks which is not a fit for an Eagle Scout involvement and that he will submit information at the next meeting.

Chair Bentley stated that he received a news letter from the Coalition regarding 2020 revenues which he expects to be a better return from the return of 2019. He stated that he would have information by November 15, 2020.

5. Set next meeting date and adjourn. The next meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 7 pm.

Mr. Tracey motioned to adjourn; Mr. Badger seconded. Unanimous. VOTE: 8 - 0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by:

Darlene Whittemore, Secretary