COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (CPC) MEETING

126 Court Street Town Hall - Ropewalk Room with Zoom option

Thursday, June 13, 2024 5:30pm

Committee Members - Present: Tim Grandy, Russ Shirley, Betty Cavacco, Karen Beuchs, Ed Bradley, Len Levin, John Mahoney, Karen Edwards (Zoom). **Absent**: Bill Fornaciari

Other attendees: Chelsea Westgate, Administrative Assistant (AdMin); Fred Thys, Plymouth Independent (Press); Lynn Barrett, Finance Director; Richard Serkey, Town Meeting Member; Ginny Davis, Town Meeting Member and LWV Plymouth Member; Martha Vautrain, LWV Observer Corps Member.

Reorganization:

Shirley nominated Beuchs for Chairman; she declined. Cavacco nominated Fornaciari with whom Mahoney stated he had spoken, and he (Fornaciari) agreed to accept if nominated. Mahoney also thanked former members who were not reappointed, Bill Keohan and Allen Hemberger, for their many years of exceptional service. Fornaciari received 8 Yes votes; Shirley voted No.

Edwards nominated Bradley for Vice-Chair; second by Mahoney. Unanimous vote in favor.

Cavacco nominated Levin for Clerk; seconded by Mahoney. Discussion followed about the duties of vice-chair, clerk, and AdMin. Agreement was reached that vice-chair would perform chair duties if chair not present and clerk would perform AdMin duties if AdMin was not present. Clerk would also perform chair duties if chair and vice-chair were not present. AdMin will send out the agenda, submit the minutes, and receive the application forms. Levin appointed unanimously.

Just before 6pm Levin excused himself from the meeting to attend the Distinguished Visitors Committee meeting of which he is a member and Grandy announced that he would leave just before 6:30 to attend the Building Committee meeting of which he is a member.

Edwards announced that she will resign, per MD orders, as soon as she is replaced by another Conservation Committee member.

Public Comment:

Davis informed the committee that she was no longer a LWV Observer, which would allow her to speak at this meeting at will as an individual citizen and Town Meeting Member.

Vautrain informed the committee that Susan F. Dwyer was still a LWV Observer, but in her absence this evening Vautrain was observing.

Serkey asked new members Bradley and Levin if they had been sworn in, to which both replied yes.

Preparation for next meeting June 27:

Cavacco requested that applicants present their requests in person or zoom.



Mahoney requested that the agenda include a discussion of amending the affordable housing application and Cavacco requested that Town Counsel review the revision(s).

Barrett announced that she will not be able to attend the next meeting, but she will have all the paper work prepared.

Grandy asked that applications be sent to members 48 or more hours in advance of meetings.

Shirley requested that members receive a hard copy of the applications.

Announcement:

Grandy invited the committee to a gathering at Wildlands Trust June 29th on Long Pond Road in memory of Malcolm MacGregor who was an early and passionate supporter of the CPC.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07pm

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Vautrain, LWV Observer Corps

For your information: When the official minutes from this meeting have been approved, they will be available on the town website at https://www.plymouth-ma.gov/agendacenter

