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Community Preservation Committee

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A regular meeting of the Peabody Community Preservation Committee was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 6:30 P.M. at the Torigian Senior Center, 79 Central Street, Peabody, MA.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Stewart Lazares
Mr. Darren Kelly
Mr. Jon Turco
Mr. Thomas Gould
Mr. Richard St. Pierre
Mr. Peter McGinn
Mr. Jeff Shmase
Mr. David Cronin
Mr. Ted Neary
Mr. Dan Collins

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Michael Rizzo
Mr. Dave Gravel
Ms. Corinne Jean
Ms. Deborah Ryan
Mr. Michael Schulze
Mr. Andrew Metropolis
Ms. Joy Wallace

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Levin, Planner, Community Development & Planning
Ms. Haley Guarino, Mr. & Mrs. Lemenager
Councilor Thomas Rossignol & Ward I Councilor Craig Welton
Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr.

Presentations/Discussions: Finances were discussed. There are minor changes from November which reflect the annual transfers of \$621,672, \$21,000 in receipts, \$124,000 state match and \$8,000 in interest payments. Pete recommends accepting the report.

Darren discussed Community Development's application "Perkins Street/Emerson Heights Eco-Campus". According to Mr. Levin, maintenance will remain with Parks, Schools, and DPW. Stewart asked to see specific areas each department will be responsible for. Drew will have the list and do a full presentation in February.

There are some changes on the Annual Report (change "Jonathan" to "Jon" and "2018" to "2019", give a breakdown of the Open Space/Parks spending) but it's otherwise fine.

Darren received drafts for two open space parcels (Scouting Way & Grandview) from Essex County Greenbelt. The state has already replied with comments for 0 Grandview. There was a discussion about forming a small committee to review these as they come in and keep track. Darren will send copies of both drafts to everyone and have a comment period. Comments will be consolidated and sent to ECGBA.

Darren introduced Haley Guarino who introduced Mr. & Mrs. Lemenager on behalf of the Recess for Randi Playground Committee. The Mayor asked for CPC's support and assistance. A small group who, along with Councilor Turco, gave their heart & soul to getting this done. They've raised almost \$200,000. He understands \$120,000 is a big ask but added that this will be the only all-inclusive playground on this side of Peabody. The Brown School's population is 1/3 special needs. Councilor Turco added that this was a small group of mothers who did most of the fundraising. This park will benefit the entire city. The only other all-inclusive is in West Peabody and will need updating soon. The School Committee voted this evening to keep the playground as school property and will maintain. There will be some funds set-aside for future maintenance and cameras will be purchased for security reasons. Haley stated that they will have an account for maintenance. There are warranties on the equipment and flooring. The flooring is the majority of the cost although they were able to get the cost reduced from \$125,000 to \$60,000. This is special flooring for wheelchair use. Jen Davis plans on reusing as much of the old playground as is possible. The rest will be scrapped. Many in the audience voiced their support, including Councilors Tom Rossignol & Craig Welton. They hope to break ground in March.

Votes: Motion to approve the financials of October 31, 2019 & November 12, 2019: Dave Cronin/Dick St. Pierre. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion to accept Community Development's application "Perkins Street/Emerson Heights Eco-Campus" in an amount up to \$260,000: Tom Gould/Stewart Lazares. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion to accept Recess for Randi's application "Randi Lemenager Memorial Playground" in an amount up to \$120,000.00: Stewart Lazares/Dan Collins. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion to suspend the rules & vote Recess for Randi's application "Randi Lemenager Memorial Playground" in an amount up to \$120,000.00: Stewart Lazares/Dan Collins. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion to fund Recess for Randi Playground Committee's application "Randi Lemenager Memorial Playground" in an amount up to \$120,000. Funds are to be charged to Open Space, 270-33021. Dan Collins/Dick St. Pierre. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.: Dave Cronin/Tom Gould. Motion carries: unanimous.

Old Business:

Emergency Home Repair: Almost completed. It's doubtful Stacy will be back for more funding.

Housing Production Plan: No update.

2017 Bikeway Extension Project: No update.

Gideon Foster House: 99% complete, early and under budget.

Parks, Recreation & Forestry Playspaces 2019: No update.

Other Business:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 6:30 p.m., at the Torigian Council on Aging/Senior Center, 79 Central Street.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.