

Town of Sharon
Community Preservation Committee
Meeting Minutes of 3/18/15
Approved 3/23/15
Sharon Town Hall
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Committee Attendees

Corey Snow, Chair	Jane Desberg, Treasurer
Keevin Geller	Susan Rich - absent
Marc Bluestein	Anne Bingham
Eli Hauser	

Others

Peter O'Cain	Eric Hooper
Gordon Gladstone	

Meeting Initiation

Chair Snow called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Pergola for Community Center

Chair Snow said that the first vote was taken at the last meeting.

Mr. Bluestein questioned who will be responsible for maintenance of the pergola. A brief discussion ensued. Mr. Gladstone said if the amount of shade is less than what they want they will put planters to enhance the shade.

Ms. Desberg moved that the Sharon Community Preservation Committee authorize to Town Meeting to approve the Pergola Project at the Sharon Community Center. The request for funds is not to exceed \$45,000 and should be taken from the open space category. Mr. Geller seconded the motion and the Committee voted 6-0-0 in favor of authorizing funds for this project.

Hammershop Pond Dam Repair and Rehabilitation

Mr. O'Cain said he solicited two additional estimates for this project. One estimate was from Wright Pierce for \$398,199 and one was from Environmental Partners for \$321,500. GZA was \$431,000. Mr. O'Cain said he wants the project finished and will know when the Town Meeting votes if he has money for design work. Once the bid is issued he will know the exact cost.

A conversation ensued regarding what needs to be done at the site. It was noted that the Historic Commission wants the fence replaced with a more historic looking one than the current chain link.

Ms. Desberg said she would like to see this project move forward.

Me. Geller said he and Ms. Arguimbau received price quotes for repair to the damn in the \$200k range.

Ms. Bingham said she is in support of Mr. O'Cain's request and moved that the CPC recommend to Town Meeting the sum of \$430,000 from the historical account be appropriated for repair and rehab of Hammershop Pond as per the application from the DPW. Ms. Desberg seconded the motion. The Committee voted 3-3.

Mr. Gladstone commented that sufficient contingency is needed for unforeseen instances.

Mr. Bluestein moved that the CPC recommend to Town Meeting the sum of \$325,000 from the historical account be appropriated for repair and rehab of Hammershop Pond. Mr. Geller seconded the motion and the Committee voted 3-3.

Ms. Bingham then amended her motion to change the amount to \$400,000. The Committee voted 3-3.

Mr. Hooper commented that breaching the pond is a less expensive option for the pond and the ConComm had told him to only consider rehab. If the ConComm agrees with the \$325k amount he said, then they can do the project.

Mr. Bluestein withdrew the \$325,000 motion.

Based on an agreement not being reached, the Committee determined they would like to continue discussion at the 3/18/15 meeting.

Minutes

Ms. Desberg moved to approve the minutes of 3/5/15 minutes as written. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. The Committee voted 5-0-0 in favor of approval.

Adjournment

Chair Snow moved to adjourn at 8:15 PM and Ms. Bingham seconded the motion. The Committee voted 5-0-0 in favor of adjournment.

Next Meeting Dates

3/23