

Town of Sharon
Community Preservation Committee
Meeting Minutes of 3/5/15
Approved 3/18/15
Sharon Town Hall
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Committee Attendees

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

Others

Peter O'Cain	Norma Fitzgerald
Marlene Chused	Douglas Southard

Meeting Initiation

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

Pergola for Community Center

Norma Fitzgerald, Executive Director of the Council on Aging came to discuss the Pergola that Gordon Gladstone had discussed at the last meeting. She said that there should be a firm cost amount known by April 2, 2015. An application is forthcoming.

Chair Snow 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 4-0-0 in favor of authorizing funds for this project. **A second vote is required.**

Sharon Historical Society Records Retention

The Committee was provided with a tour of the vaults and the historical documents within them. He said they are also working with the State and seeking federal grant opportunities to help with this project.

Mr. Geller moved that the Sharon Community Preservation Committee authorize to Town Meeting \$23,628 from the Historic Fund Category for the Sharon Town Records Preservation Project. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion and the Committee voted 4-0-0 in favor of this motion.

Mr. Geller moved and Mr. Hauser seconded the vote to waive the Sharon Community Preservation Committee bylaws two vote requirement so only one

vote instead of two votes, is required. The Committee voted 4-0-0 in favor of allowing **one vote to be binding**.

North Main Street Historic Retaining Wall Repair Project

Peter O'Cain, Town Engineer said this is the least priority of his three requests. He said he has asked Mass DOT for funds but they only provide funding when the road is being repaired.

The Committee determined they would take **no action** on this project request.

Sharon Water Department Soffit and Fascia Repair Project

Peter O'Cain, Town Engineer further stated that the funds will help save the building which is important from an historical perspective. The roof and windows were previously done so this request will complete the building.

Mr. Geller moved to vote in favor of the Sharon Water Department Soffit and Fascia Repair Project and to ask Town Meeting to appropriate \$116,000 from the Historical Category to fund this project. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion and the Committee voted 4-0-0 in favor of approval.

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Hammershop Pond Dam Repair and Rehabilitation

Mr. O'Cain said he did not have the funds to have a design done so that is why he requested \$430,000 as a maximum amount needed to repair the Hammershop Pond Dam outlet control structure and earthen dam to conform to all State requirements. He said he is supposed to have the dam fixed by 11/30/15 and if he doesn't get the funds he would be required to remove the dam and the pond would dry up. Mr. O'Cain said he is confident the bid will be less than the requested amount. A discussion ensued regarding the cost and process

The Committee determined they would like to **continue discussion** at the 3/18/15 meeting.

Minutes

Ms. Desberg moved to approve the minutes of 2/26/15 minutes as written. Chair Snow seconded the motion. The Committee voted 4-0-0 in favor of approval.

Adjournment

Mr. Hauser moved to adjourn at 8:15 PM and Mr. Geller seconded the motion. The Committee voted 4-0-0 in favor of adjournment.

Next Meeting Dates

3/12 cancelled, 3/18, 4/2