

**Board of Selectmen  
February 11, 2016  
7:01 p.m. Regular Session**

Present: Mr. Paul Healey, Chairman; Ms. Mary Power; and Ms. Betty Foley, Assistant Town Administrator.

**Approval of Minutes**

Voted- To approve minutes dated January 14, 2016 as amended. Mr. Healey and Ms. Power voted yes.

**Question from the public regarding items not on the Agenda**

There were no questions from the public

**Capital Outlay Committee Recommendations**

Ms. Libby Claypool, Capital Outlay Committee Chairman appeared before the Board along with Committee Members, Mr. Brendan Kiernan and Mr. Tim Finnerty who were in the audience.

Ms. Lucy Hancock and Mr. Craig Mackay from the Advisory Committee were also in the audience.

Ms. Claypool reviewed the FY2017 Five Year Capital Plan, (a copy is available in the Selectmen's Office). She explained that the budget she's presenting is 3.2 percent of a projected one hundred million dollar operating budget that is within the range of the Town's financial policy.

Mr. Gannon arrived at the beginning of the Capital Outlay Committee recommendations.

**Total amounts for FY2017 Five Year Capital Plan:**

Accounting: \$88,700.00, Town Clerk: \$50,500.00 , Town Hall, \$131,964.00 , GAR Hall, \$6,200.00, Police Department, \$358,000.00, Fire Department , \$132,000.00, Public Works (Engineering) \$0, Public Works (Highway), \$292,000.00, Public Works (Transfer Station) \$200,000.00, Sewer Department, \$195,000.00, Elder Services, \$50,000.00, Library, \$705,000.00, Recreation Department \$75,000.00, South Shore Country Club, \$91,000.00, School Department , East Elementary School , \$31,800.00, Foster Elementary School, \$54,600.00, a portion of this wiring fee may be eligible for a rebate through E Rebate. (Ms. Power requested that this money if rebated be given back to Capital Outlay). High School, \$115,622.00, (\$84, 000. 00 is for phone system replacement that may also be eligible for an E Rebate). , Middle School, \$0, Plymouth River Elementary School, \$30,500.00, South Elementary School, \$98,600.00, School System Wide \$524,593.00, School/ Town Wide Totals \$11,440.00.

**Total Capital Projects: \$3,242,519.00**

**Funding Sources:**

<b>Tax Levy</b>	<b>\$ 2,181,519.00</b>
<b>Fund Balance (Mooring Permits)</b>	<b>\$ 35,000.00</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 665,000.00</b>
<b>User Rates/ Charges</b>	<b>\$ 361,000.00</b>
<b>Borrowing</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**ARTICLE O- Community Preservation Committee** *Will the Town appropriates the following sums of money for Community Preservation purposes as follows:*

- 1) Appropriate \$45,000.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund for addition to the Community Preservation Committee's Administrative Fund;*
- 2) Appropriate \$100,000.00 from the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve to be used by the Hingham Affordable Housing Trust for the HAHT Opportunity Funding Program;*
- 3) Appropriate \$60,000.00 from the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve to be used by the Hingham Affordable Housing Trust to create an affordable housing unit at 302 Whiting Street, Map 187/Lot 24;*
- 4) Appropriate \$6,651.00 from the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve and a sum of money from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Hingham Housing Authority for a feasibility study and consultant services regarding a parcel of land on Beal Street, Map58/Lot 23;*

- 5) *Appropriate \$41,387.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Hingham Historical Commission for the preservation of Town maps, photos, monuments and markers throughout the Town;*
- 6) *Appropriate \$85,000.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Second Parish Church Association for the Second Parish ADA Compliance Project located at 685 Main Street, Map 126/Lot 047;*
- 7) *Appropriate \$15,650.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Hingham Community Center for restoration of the front exterior of and leaded glass sidelights in the building located at 70 South Street, Map 61/Lot 163;*
- 8) *Appropriate \$132,243.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Recreation Commission for the renovation and repurposing of Kress Field Playground located at 1 Off-Gardner Street, Map 203/Lot 100;*
- 9) *Appropriate \$35,000.00 the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Harbor Development Committee to install lighting along the Whitney Wharf Pedestrian Bridge, Map 51/Lot 01;*
- 10) *Appropriate \$19,962.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Community Planning Department for installation of signage kiosks and trail materials for the Comprehensive Trails Plan; and*
- 11) *Appropriate \$150,000.00 from the Community Preservation General Fund to be used by the Hingham Bathing Beach Trustees to develop a Maritime Center (Bath House/Multipurpose Maritime Building); or act on anything relating thereto?(Inserted at the request of the Community Preservation Committee).*

Mr. Robert Curley and Ms. Carol Pyles reviewed Article O.

Voted- A unanimous vote for Appropriations 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 11. Mr. Healey and Mr. Gannon voted yes on Appropriation number 4; Ms. Power abstained.

**Warrant Article BB- Kress Field Playground-** *Will the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to file and accept grants from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for the reimbursement of 54% of the total project cost of \$132,000 up to the grant award maximum of \$50,000 to be paid for through the Community Preservation Act funds appropriated for the renovation of Kress Field Playground, a playground dedicated to active recreation purposes under M.G.L. c. 45, § 14, pursuant to the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities Grant Program under 301 CMR 5.00, and all other applicable laws, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such other actions as are necessary to carry out the terms, purposes and conditions of said grant to be administered by the Town of Hingham Recreation Department, or act on anything relating thereto?  
(Inserted at the request of the Recreation Commission)*

Mr. Mark Thorell and Ms. Vicki Donlan reviewed Article BB.

Voted - A unanimous vote.

**Amend CPC Composition- ARTICLE CC-** *Will the Town amend Article 38 of the Hingham By-Laws by deleting paragraph Section 1 thereof, and inserting in its place*

**Section 1. Establishment**

*In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44B, known as the Community Preservation Act, there is hereby established a Community Preservation Committee (“the Committee”) consisting of nine members. The term of office of each member of the Committee shall be three years. In case of a vacancy, the designating or appointing authority for that seat shall designate or appoint a new member to fill the remainder of the unexpired term. The composition of the Committee and the methods of appointment of the members of the Committee shall be as follows:*

- One (1) member of the Conservation Commission as designated by that Commission;*
- One (1) member of the Historical Commission as designated by that Commission;*
- One (1) member of the Planning Board as designated by that Board;*
- One (1) member of the Housing Authority as designated by that Authority;*
- One (1) member of the Recreation Commission as designated by that Commission;*
- Two (2) members to be appointed by the Selectmen; and*
- Two (2) members to be appointed by the Moderator.*

**Section 2. Amendments**

This Article 38 may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of Town Meeting, provided that no such amendment may cause this Article to conflict with the Community Preservation Act.

**Section 3. Severability**

In case any section, paragraph or other part of this Article shall be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, every other section, paragraph and part hereof shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 4. Effective Date**

*This Article shall take effect immediately upon approval of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth and proper posting by the Town Clerk in accordance with Section 32. Each of the appointing authorities designated in Section 1 shall have thirty (30) days after such approval to make their initial appointments. Should any such appointing authority other than the Board of Selectmen fail to make its initial appointment within such time, the Board of Selectmen shall make such appointment. Should the Board of Selectmen fail to make any of its initial appointments within such time, the Moderator shall make such appointments. Or act on anything relating thereto?  
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)*

Mr. Andrew McElaney and Mr. John Davenport reviewed Article CC.

Voted-Recommend Article CC to the Advisory Committee as written. A unanimous vote.

**To extend the time for negotiation of the Barnes Wharf Lease.**

Mr. Gannon suggested a thirty day extension because he wants to keep negotiations moving. Ms. Power stated she understood the motive and spirit of the thirty day extension, but reminded everyone that this is an extremely busy time of year and there are many complex issues the Board is currently addressing.

Voted: To extend the negotiations of Barnes Wharf Lease to Friday, March 18, 2016. The motion passed 2-0. Ms. Power and Mr. Gannon voted yes. Mr. Healey recused himself from this vote.

**Selectmen/ Town Administrator's Report**

Mr. Healey conveyed on behalf of Fire Deputy Chief Murphy, the following cold weather safety tips: Please take necessary safety precautions when using alternate heating sources and have a fire extinguisher ready. Make sure your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors are working. Be a good neighbor and check on relatives and neighbors who may be in need of assistance. Wrap pipes in layers of newspaper or insulation to keep from freezing. If your pipes do freeze, open up the faucets and pour hot water over the pipes. Keep your vehicle's gas tank half full. Mr. Healey is especially concerned about people skating outdoor on thin ice and reminded everyone that even though it's cold, the ice is not that thick. He urged everyone to use caution and not to put their lives or the lives of first responders in jeopardy.

The Open Session Adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Diane Picot

Approved 03/25/2016

**Documents: (A complete meeting packet of supporting documentation is on file and available for public review in the Board of Selectmen's Office).**

1. FY2017 Five Year Capital Outlay Committee Recommendations
2. Community Preservation Act, 2016 Overview for Board of Selectmen 02/11/16.
3. Talent Bank Application for Town Representative to MAPC Transportation Committee.
4. List of open Committee and Commission positions as of 02/11/16.