MINUTES

Nahant Community Preservation Committee Meeting

March 1, 2021

Virtual: Zoom Meeting ID 847 8710 4166, Code: 005156

MEETING OPENED, 7:02pm

CPC in attendance:

Lynne Spencer – LS; Paul Spirn – PS; Ellen Steeves – ES; Mirjana Maksimovic – MM; Mickey Long – ML; Ellen Goldberg - EG; Austin Antrim - AA; Nancy Cantelmo - NC

Public in attendance (at start of meeting; necessarily incomplete): Sharon Hawkes, Vi Patek, J S Bianchi

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

New proposals received [LS]: briefly discussed

#2 - Nahant Little League, for backstop and fencing repair, requesting CPC funds of $32,375, partially matched

#1 - New Nahant Land Co., for planning study of Tudor estate building, open space, and raquet sports facilities, requesting CPC funds of $15K, fully matched

New proposals received [LS]: discussed with applicants, as noted

#4 - Nahant Public Library, for completion of historic preservation components, building interior and envelope, begun in earlier funding cycles requesting $140,694 in CPC funds, fully matched; discussed with librarian SH that a more realistic expectation for matching funding from Massachusetts Preservation Projects fund, $50K, rather than $100K in the proposal would require either a greater contribution from Friends of the Nahant Library or an increase in the level of CPC funding, of at least another $50K.

#3 - Nahant Planning Board, Bear Pond Ecosystem Restoration Study, requesting $60K in CPC funding; JSB representing the Planning Board explained this study, to include both detailed topography and a proposal for ecological restoration of lowlands and Kelly Greens with a goal of controlling periodic flooding due to filling of a estuary site a century ago by replacing heavy pumping requirement with a self-draining system without culverts, and restoring wildlife; the plan is needed now to then prepare a proposal for a multimillion dollar project largely funded by the state and Army Corps of Engineers, qualifying in part because of the presence of endangered species on site (American eel).

Administration

CPC members discussed:

--how to cancel a previously scheduled meeting, Mar 8, and remove it from the calendar on the Town website

--conferring with Town Clerk about conflict of interest declarations

--setting up a Google Drive acct for the CPC to share documents such as submitted proposals.

Adjournment

Moved to Adjourn, 7:51 PM by ML; Seconded by PS

For: unanimous

Against: none

Abstain: none

APPROVED

Respectfully submitted and approved, Oct 18, 2021

Paul Spirn

Nahant CPC, Recording Secretary