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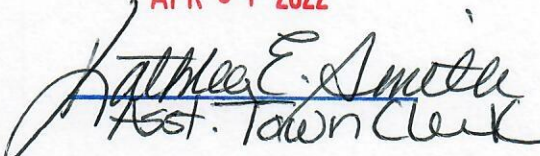
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Nathan Maltinsky, Chair 

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Re: Public Meeting held Thursday, March 24, 2022, in Room 229, Veteran's Memorial Building, to vote/approve CPC Article(s) as follows:

CPC Members present: Nathan Maltinsky, Chair
Wendy Barry, Treasurer
David Baker
Mary-Ellen D'Espinosa
Alan Handel
James Lederer
James McKay
Erin Underhill
Catherine MacInnes, FinCom Liaison

Members absent: Pam Mustard

Others present: Kris Fogarty, Recreation Dept. Director
Stephen Smith, 28 McCabe Ave.
David Werner, Oak Grove Farm Commission

Pickleball Sound Mitigation Proposal (submitted by Recreation Commission & Recreation Department) ARTICLE 9:

Ms. Fogarty presented the application. The proposal request is for \$21,035.16 from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation fund for "Acoustiblok" to be purchased for sound mitigation at the pickleball courts. Ms. Fogarty presented the estimate from Acoustiblok. She stated that this is "designed to diminish the pickleball sound by 50%." According to Ms. Fogarty, she was told by the Town Administrator that the Town will install the soundproofing and provide landscaping using the Town's Tree Fund. The amount of funds requested is for materials only, she said.

Mr. Smith, an abutter to the pickleball courts, stated that the neighbors have been dealing with the noise for a couple of years and spoke in favor of the proposal.

There were questions raised as to the flammability of the product; ease of graffiti removal if needed; and warranty if the Town is to install it. Ms. Fogarty will provide this information to the Community Preservation Commission. Mr. Handel stated that he was "not confident" this would solve the problem.

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Preservation Committee on March 24, 2022, on a motion made by Mr. James McKay, seconded by Ms. Wendy Barry, it was voted 7-1, with Mr. Alan Handel opposed, in favor of appropriating **\$21,035.16** for the Millis Recreation Pickleball Sound Mitigation Project from the **Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Resources Reserve account**, pending information to be provided by Ms. Fogarty. The motion passed. (Note: information was emailed by Ms. Fogarty on March 25, 2022).

The Community Preservation Committee **recommends approval** of the above article for the **Millis Recreation Pickleball Sound Mitigation Project** at the Town Meeting to be held on May 2, 2022.

Oak Grove Farm Trail Improvement Proposal (submitted by Oak Grove Farm Commission) ARTICLE 11:

Mr. David Werner of the Oak Grove Farm Commission presented the application. The proposal request is for \$16,900.00 from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation fund for materials for improvements to Oak Grove Farm trails. Mr. Werner stated that there are three areas in particular: (1) trails bordering Island Road and Ridge Street (2) causeways connecting the parking lot with the middle of Ridge Street fields and (3) area bordering Exchange and the rear of Orchard Street properties. Each have sections that are impassable after rainfall and when conditions are damp. They are seeking funding to improve, link, and make available existing trails through the use of permeable gravel and landscaping fabric that allows for drainage and groundwater flow while providing a secure walking surface throughout the calendar year, Mr. Werner said.

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Preservation Committee on March 24, 2022, on a motion made by Mr. David Baker, seconded by Ms. Mary-Ellen D'Espinosa, it was unanimously voted (8-0) in favor of appropriating **\$16,900.00** for the **Oak Grove Farm Trail Improvement Proposal** from the **Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Resources Reserve account**.

The Community Preservation Committee **recommends approval** of the above article for the **Oak Grove Farm Trail Improvement Project** at the Town Meeting to be held on May 2, 2022.

cc: Michael Guzinski, Town Administrator
Carol Johnston, Finance Director
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