

**MILLIS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 4, 2021
VIRTUAL/REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM PLATFORM**

The remote ZOOM meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Mr. Nathan Maltinsky, Chair.

Members present: Nathan Maltinsky, Chair
 Wendy Barry, Treasurer
 David Baker , At-Large Member
 Carol Hayes, Conservation Commission Rep.
 James McKay, At-Large Member
 Nicole Riley, Planning Board Rep.
 Erin Underhill, Select Board Rep.

Members absent: Pamela Rheaume-Mustard, Recreation Dept. Rep.
 Raymond Normandin, Housing Authority Rep.
 Shawn Power, Finance Comm. Liaison

Also present: Brian Nichols, 47 Grove St.
 Richard Nichols, 47 Grove St.

Millis High School Dugout Project (File No. 2021-001)

Brian Nichols - Senior Project

Mr. Brian Nichols, a senior at Millis High School, presented his funding request application. He is seeking approval of \$10,300.00 in CPA Open Space/Recreation funds for reconstruction of the dugout at the Millis High School baseball field. The construction would be “mostly wood, with a roof and back wall” for protection of the players, he said. Mr. Nichols stated that he met with the School Committee and presented the plans. According to Mr. Nichols, they were in favor of the project. The dugout property is owned by both the Town and the School Department. He would like to have the project completed prior to the start of the baseball season - mid to late April. Mr. Maltinsky stated that if the project is approved by the CPC, it must be voted on at Town Meeting, which is not scheduled until May.

There was discussion regarding whether or not the CPC could fund something on school property. Mr. Maltinsky will contact Stuart Saginor from the Community Preservation Coalition for clarification. It was requested that Mr. Nichols provide a letter of support from the School Committee.

There was discussion regarding whether or not the proposal as presented satisfies the criteria for Open Space and Recreation funding; such as “supports multiple recreation uses and expands the range of recreational opportunities available to Millis residents of all ages” and “serves a significant number of residents.” The CPC would like more information provided as well as something in writing from the School Committee stating that not only school teams could use the field, but other members of the community as well. Mr. Richard Nichols stated that they will get clarification on inclusiveness from the Superintendent.

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In summary, the CPC requested the following prior to continuing discussion on the request:

- Letter from the School Committee/Superintendent
- Project description to be amended as to how this will be utilized by entities in Town
- Legality of CPA fund use on School property (Mr. Maltinsky to inquire)
- The project request should be amended to state the request is for a “Senior Project”

The discussion will be continued to the March 4, 2021, CPC ZOOM meeting. A placeholder article will be requested by the CPC on the warrant.

**Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Phase II Project (File No. 2021-002)
Millis Public Library – Wendy Barry**

Ms. Barry presented the funding request application for Phase II of the map preservation project. Ms. Barry summarized that Phase I was previously approved by the CPC and has been completed. The map was stabilized and minimally repaired as part of that stabilization at the cost of \$450.00. The CPC and Town Meeting (June 2020) approved \$600.00 for this project, leaving \$150.00 unexpended.

The Millis Public Library is seeking \$1,469.00 in Historic Preservation funds for Phase II to complete preservation and make the map available to the public. They would like a high-resolution digital file of the map created; the production of two high resolution dry-mounted reproductions of the map; and mounting and framing of the original map in a “preservation sensitive manner” to be displayed.

On a motion made by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Baker, it was unanimously voted (6-0) to approve \$1,469.00 from the Community Preservation Historic Resource Reserve Fund for the Preservation & Rehabilitation of the Henry F. Walling Map Phase II Project. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Baker – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Riley – aye; Underhill – aye.

Other Business:

Annual Housekeeping Article FY2022

The Finance Director is working on preparing the FY2020 amounts as they were not available prior to the meeting. The CPC will vote on the article at the March 4, 2021, ZOOM meeting once the dollar amounts are provided. A placeholder will be requested.

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Conservation Commission Properties – Creating Usable Walking Trails

The Conservation Commission is currently working on plans for signage/maintenance. They will resubmit an application once more details on funding and plans are established.

Minutes

On a motion made by Ms. Barry, seconded by Mr. McKay, it was voted unanimously to approve the ZOOM meeting minutes of December 10, 2020 as written. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Barry – aye; Baker – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Riley – aye; Underhill – aye.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion and, on a motion, made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Underhill, and voted unanimously, the ZOOM meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Barry – aye; Baker – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Riley – aye; Underhill – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Standley
Administrative Assistant