

Oak Bluffs CPC Meeting
05/06/2008
Oak Bluffs Library 2nd floor conference room

Members Present: Stephen Durkee, Chairman. Alison Shaw, Peter Martell, Joan Hughes, Harvey Beth, Charles Rock, Cheryll Sashin.

The meeting began at 10:00am. Minutes from 3/18 were motioned for approval.

The Committee voted 7 – 0 to approve the minutes from March 18th.

-Adam discussed with Committee Members the warrant article and how everything passed at town meeting. He said that because of the power point presentation and the pictures he showed of the bandstand, cupola restoration and beach wall, there was very little dissent in the voting to approve the projects as the committee presented them.

-The new signs to promote CPA projects were shown to Committee Members. The design and look of the signs drew praise from various members. The Committee wanted them to go out as soon as possible to the beach project, Bradley Square and the Tabernacle. Adam said he'd make arrangements with the Highway department to have a sign posted at Pay Beach and contact IAHF for Bradley Square. Stephen said he would contact the Camp Meeting Association so a sign could go up there while the cupola is being restored.

-Adam handed out a work sheet that explained the state matching funds for next year's appropriation. The report showed that the town will only receive 65% of a state match from the 3% town surcharge. Because the town has a high "decile" ranking (7 out of 10), other appropriations coming from a 2nd and 3rd round of available funds will be very small. Adam stated he had met with Paul Manzi and the research they did based on the state calculation figured about \$260K in state funds for next year's round of CPA applications.

-Adam handed out a copy of the draft he has been working on for the Committee's preservation plan. He has done research on open space and recreation assets the town has and asked members to review what he had been able to collate and to think about what projects could be listed as the Committee's choice for completing in the future. The draft did have stated goals from ConCom and the Park's Department and there would be more input to include affordable housing and historic preservation. Alison thought it would be good to have as well and ongoing list of the projects already done as well as those that have been recently approved. Adam stated he would work on the other half of the report and have a complete plan ready during the summer to present to the public on behalf of the Committee.

-There was a discussion on finding a replacement for Mike Marchand who represented the Park's Department for the CPC. It was thought that newly elected Nancy Phillips might be the new rep but could she make the regular meeting time. Stephen said he would contact the Park Commissioners and see if a member wanted to participate themselves or perhaps appoint someone to represent them at the meetings. There was also a brief discussion among Committee Members about reappointments to the Committee – who has been reappointed and who has not.

-The Committee decided not to meet again until Tuesday, September 9th @ 10:00am. Adam told Stephen he would write a thank you letter to Mike for his time served with the Committee.

-The Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am