

Oak Bluffs CPC Meeting
03/20/07
Oak Bluffs Library 2nd floor conference room

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

The meeting began at 10:05 am

- Stephen indicated that the agenda would be to review the draft of the mailing going out to all the town voters.
- Peter indicated that the mailing would be two pages with printing on both sides.
- Harvey talked about the concept of the rationale for the decisions and how the Committee had to deliberate over 1.4 million in funding requests. Members of the Committee discussed all of the applications that came their way and how the final 8 ended up being recommended.
- There was another discussion between members about the Housing Trust's establishment and the potential for the fund to be used for upcoming local projects. Specifically the old library building was mentioned as a site for future community housing needs and resident homesite land was also discussed.
- Joan asked where the CPC article was in the warrant. Stephen said it was #10 in the Special. Harvey said the warrant for the establishment for the trust fund precedes the CPC recommendations.
- Harvey asked if certain people named in some of the project recommendations should be included when other projects did not have applicant's representatives named. Members discussed and agreed that all applicants representative's names would be included with each recommended project.
- The Committee clarified and reworded the language of the Committee's vision statement in the letter.
- Stephen talked about representatives being at the town meeting and, if need be, being available to answer questions about the scope of the different projects.
- The Committee members looked over the language of the criteria statements and clarified meanings regarding the statement for "economically feasible". From there, a discussion ensued about monitoring of the money for projects approved and the need for oversight. There were questions about project review and who would be responsible should things go wrong with an approved project's spending.
- Harvey talked about how the County spends the money for the Rental Conversion Program.
- Stephen said he would have Paul, Karen or Michael come and talk to the Committee about how procurement will occur for approved projects.
- Committee members talked about how the voting recommendations would be presented to town voters.
- The discussion centered around the words "recommendation", "funding" and "spending". Different members shared their views on how they came around to sharing their views on the different projects that were presented.
- The Committee inserted different individuals identified as being application representatives. More of the criteria statements and background narration of the projects were edited.
- Committee Members talked about several of the projects recommended and the lingering doubts whether or not they qualified for CPA funding. Specifically the Hartford Park Restoration and the Seaview Fence were two that had questions that still remained. Joan spoke at length about the progress of the Boardwalk to Beach task force.
- Stephen said he would contact applicants and ask them if they would present their projects at Town Meeting. Peter talked about the need at Town Meeting for people to be able to have questions answered.
- Peter asked that the letter be done by Thursday so he could get the mailing going. He said he'd have 2,100 mailings to go out to OB residents. Stephen asked that there be extra letters to hand out at the meeting. Peter said that the cost would be around \$1,000.00. He explained the time frame the Post Office will need to get the mailing into everyone's mailbox.
- The Committee scheduled the next meeting for Tuesday, April 17th @ 10 am.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.