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Community Preservation Committee

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A regular meeting of the Peabody Community Preservation Committee was held on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 6:00 P.M. via Zoom in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Governor Baker's Emergency Order dated March 12, 2020.

MEMBERS PRESENT:		MEMBERS ABSENT:	
Mr. Michael Rizzo	Mr. Peter McGinn	Ms. Deborah Ryan	Mr. Michael Schulze
Mr. Darren Kelly	Mr. Andrew Metropolis	Mr. Tom Rossignol	Mr. Dan Collins
Mr. Richard St. Pierre	Mr. Thomas Gould	Ms. Corinne Jean	Mr. Jon Turco
Mr. Ted Neary	Ms. Joy Wallace	Mr. Frank Hardy	
Mr. David Cronin	Mr. Stewart Lazares		
Mr. Jeff Shmase			

ALSO PRESENT: Stacey Bernson, Community Development & Planning
Albert Talarico, Building Commissioner
Lucia DelNegro, Conservation Commission

Chairman Kelly opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. reading the opening statement.

Presentations/Discussions/Votes:

Motion duly made by Dick St. Pierre, seconded by Andy Metropolis to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of March 9, 2021. Motion carries: unanimous.

Stacey Bernson spoke about the Critical Care Fund. There were two people in the queue when she applied but one was inside. Habitat stopped doing inside jobs due to COVID. The 2nd applicant withdrew their application. City hall refers people as does the Council on Aging.

Lucia DelNegro and Stewart Lazares made a presentation for the Peabody Conservation Commission's application: Lake & Pond Restoration: Stewart reviewed the presentation, discussing the differences between a mechanical harvester and hydro-rake. Both float and can be used in lakes as shallow as 1'. They are proposing using both as the harvester doesn't have a hopper and it would be time consuming to have to deposit the vegetation at the shore. The harvester was used in Lower Spring Pond in 2020 and did a great job. Using these would require maintenance every 3-5 years; dredging does not need maintenance for years. There are different orders of condition on lakes/ponds considered drinking water and those non-drinking. Lucia would like to hire a consultant to help with the permit. The raked up vegetation would be left to dry then removed for compost. The city would need an annual maintenance plan to keep up with this so ponds/lakes don't get overgrown again. No chemicals are needed.

Motion duly made by Dave Cronin, seconded by Tom Gould to take the vote for Lake & Pond Restoration under advisement until the next meeting on May 11, 2021. Motion carries: unanimous.

Albert Talarico, Building Commissioner, thanked the Board for the previous grant of \$99,650. He is requesting an additional \$19,500 to finish the archive project as there were more documents than they anticipated. So far, they've completed 400,000 documents and 6,000 plans. There are 30,000 remaining. The archivist has assured him that they will not pay over \$19,500 even if there are more documents than 30,000. When the project is finished, the Building Dept. will have all of the archived data and will be able to email it out. He is hoping to incorporate it into their on-line permitting system so people will have access without having to request it.

Motion duly made by Tom Gould, seconded by Mike Rizzo, to suspend the rules and vote on the Building Commissioner's application "Building Archive Preservation Addendum". Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion duly made by Tom Gould, seconded by Mike Rizzo, to fund the Building Department's application "Preservation of Historic City Building Department Documents" in an amount up to \$19,500.00. Funds are to be withdrawn from Historic Preservation, account #270-00000-33022. Motion carries: unanimous.

Motion duly made by Dick St. Pierre, seconded by Andy Metropolis to accept Recreation, Parks & Forestry's application "Parks Restoration Projects 2021". Motion carries: unanimous.

The finance report was not distributed. Pete stated that it is pretty straightforward and to wait until May's meeting.

Motion duly made by Pete McGinn, seconded by Dave Cronin, to elect officers: Chairman – Darren Kelly; Co-Chairman – Michael Rizzo; Secretary – Dick St. Pierre. Motion carries: unanimous.

Old Business (Project Status Reports are received at the end of the quarter):

Bikeway Extension Projects: No update.

Parks, Recreation & Forestry Playspaces 2019: No update.

Preservation of historic city building dept. documents: They've scanned & electronically archived 6,000 building plans and 400,000 documents. CPC approved additional funds of \$19,500 to scan the remaining 30,000 documents.

R. Lemenger Playground: No update.

Perkins St. Eco-Campus: No update.

Critical Care: The program has been paused but should ramp up in the Spring. Habitat stopped doing inside work due to COVID.

Riverwalk: No update.

Healing Garden: They'll be breaking ground next week and should be finished in seven weeks (early June). It has been dedicated to the three people who passed away suddenly in 2019.

Other Business:

Pending the 2020 census, approval of 116 units on Farm Ave. may put us over the 10% affordability requirement.

The Council is still remote but will be allowing the public to attend meetings soon. There are some things to be considered and they are waiting for input from the Health Dept.

Darren would like to have one more meeting remotely. Once everyone has been vaccinated, we should be able to meet. Tom and Pete thanked Darren for his caution in continuing to meet remotely.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, **May 11, 2021** at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Motion duly made by Dave Cronin, seconded by Tom Gould, to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Motion carries: unanimous.