

Town of Plympton Community Preservation Committee Minutes

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Plympton Town House, Plympton, MA

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The meeting was called to order at: 6:00 p.m.

Members In attendance: Chairman Mark Russo, Deb Anderson, Rick Burnet (leaves 6:50), Irvin Butler (leaves 6:40 pm), David Chandler, Judy Dudley (arrives 6:07 pm), Susan Ossoff, Jane Schulze

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a motion by Susan Ossoff, seconded by Deb Anderson, the minutes of October 25, 2016 were approved by a vote of 7-0-0.

GAZEBO PROJECT

Mark Russo reviewed the tasks for the Committee, should the Committee vote to continue to move this project forward, which are for the Chairman to send a description of the project to town boards and committees asking for comment, to choose a date for the Public Hearing in February, and to draft a Town Meeting article to be included on the warrant.

This project is now being sponsored by the Historical Commission. Jill Palenstijn and Jon Wilhelmsen from the Historical Commission were present to describe the project. Jill Palenstijn explained that the project involves masonry repair, electrical work, restoration/repair of the cupola roof, and painting. In addition the water pump will be restored and the bronze plaques on the gazebo will be cleaned. Jon Wilhelmsen said it is important for the Board of Selectmen to understand that the gazebo will require ongoing maintenance to prevent it from future deterioration.

There was discussion about the plaques, and whether the cleaning, priced at \$3,875 is necessary. The consensus of the Committee was that this part of the project be removed. Dave Chandler asked if the cost of repairing the horse trough was included in the estimates and Jill said trough repair is not included, but she will research what that would involve. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$34,000, with a 25% contingency the total cost is \$42,500.

A person in the audience asked questions about ways the project could be done at a lower cost. The consensus was that Jill Palenstijn has done an excellent job getting quotes and talking to experts about the necessary repairs, and the project should move forward as presented with the exception of the plaque cleaning.

On a motion by Susan Ossoff, seconded by Judy Dudley, it was voted 7-0-0 to support the Gazebo project and continue to move it forward toward Town Meeting.

Mark Russo provided a draft of a letter to be sent to boards and committees describing the project and asking for comment; minor edits were suggested. Deb Anderson will place the Public Hearing notice in the newspaper as required.

The next meeting will be February 7 at 6:45; the Public Hearing will start at 7:00.

On a motion by Judy Dudley, seconded by Jane Schulze, it was voted 6-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Susan Ossoff