

Community Preservation Committee  
Minutes  
Wednesday, January 16, 2008  
Flynn Building

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**Members Present:** Chris Morely, Richard Bell, Sheila Stewart, Jim Hill, Tara Reed, Seamus O’Kelly, and Sherrill Cline

**Not Present:** John Drobinski

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm.

On Motion by Richard Bell and assented to by all present, the Committee went into Executive Session from 8:00 pm to 8:10 pm.

Georgette Heerwagen arrived at 8:10 pm.

**Reports on Articles for the Town Meeting:** The Committee reviewed a draft of the reports of the CPC on the articles to be submitted in the Warrant. After discussion and on Motion by Richard Bell, seconded by Tara Reed, all the Committee Reports were approved as amended.

**Annual Report:** The Committee reviewed and signed a final draft of the CPC Annual Report for the Town’s Annual Report.

**Revenue Projections:** After conversation with the Community Preservation Coalition, Chairman Morely understands that the projected state match for FY 09 will be approximately 70%. The reduction is based on the reduced revenues from real estate transactions statewide. Chairman Morely intends to meet with Maureen Valente and the Town Finance Director to discuss whether the CPC could get a better return on the investment of CPA funds. The current rate of return is approximately 5%.

**Format of Public Forum:** There was a discussion about the best way to inform the public of the CPC warrant articles. One possibility was to ask the presenters to come in for a televised presentation. Another possibility was to ask the presenters to provide text and photos that could be put on the CPC

website. After discussion, it was agreed that the second possibility was better. Chairman Morely will speak with Jody Kablack and Mark about implementing this idea. It will also be necessary to publicize the fact that this info is available. Mr. Morely will look into getting something in the Town Crier.

**Meeting schedule:** Unless otherwise notified, the next meeting is March 5.

**Approve Minutes:** The minutes of November 28 and December 5, 2007 were approved as amended on Motion by Jim Hill and seconded by Georgette Heerwagen. The minutes of December 19, 2007 were approved as written on Motion by Tara Reed and seconded by Richard Bell.

**Meeting adjourned:** 9:30 pm