

AS APPROVED – 4-11-16

**WEST BOYLSTON
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
March 21, 2016**

Members present: George Bernardin, Steve Blake, Brenda Bowman, Cheryl Carlson, Pat Crowley, Bev Goodale, Pat Halpin and Chris Rucho. Absent: Charleen Hopkins

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 14, 2016 meeting were approved as mailed.

PUBLIC HEARING/INFORMATIONAL MEETING: At 6:05, Pat Crowley conducted the annual public hearing regarding the Community Preservation Act and presented an informational program prepared by the Community Preservation Coalition. After the presentation was concluded, It was voted to close the Public Hearing at 6:15 pm.

PARKS COMMISSION APPLICATIONS: Steve Blake and Bob Dunne of the Parks Commission presented the following two applications from the Parks Commission:

Practice Field/Pine Grove: The Committee first reviewed the application dated March 3, 2016 entitled "Practice Field/Pine Grove" signed by Steven Blake and Bob Dunne as Parks Commissioners – both of whom were present to explain the proposal. The amount of the request is \$52,817 and relates to enlarging the practice field in the Pine Grove. The proposal indicates that some of the work in connection with the project would be undertaken by the Town's DPW – and the cost of such work is not included in the application. Concern was expressed as to whether the DPW could handle this work without cutting into its other assignments and similar matters.

A motion duly made and seconded to approve the application resulted in a 4 to 4 tie vote. It was then unanimously voted to reconsider the vote after the Committee has received information in writing from the DPW as to its costs in time and materials in connection with the proposed project – as well as information as to the impact of taking on such a project on its other assignments.

Artesian Well/Goodale Park: The Committee then reviewed the application dated March 3, 2016 entitled "Artesian Well/Goodale Park, also signed by Steven Blake and Bob Dunne as Parks Commissioners. The amount of the request is \$17,500 and relates to installing an artesian well in Goodale Park to supply water to the irrigation system for various athletic fields. Steve Blake explained that such a well would be able to supply irrigation water for the fields at a much lower cost than using water from the Town's Water District. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To recommend that the warrant article relating to the March 2016 application submitted by the Parks Commission relating to constructing an artesian well in Goodale Park be adopted at the May 2016 semiannual Town Meeting.

NEXT MEETING: It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on April 11 at 6:00 pm.

There being no further business, it was voted to adjourn at 7:45 pm.

A true record:

George F. Bernardin, Secretary