

APPROVED: 11-1-16

**WEST BOYLSTON
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
September 14, 2016**

Members present: George Bernardin, Steve Blake, Cheryl Carlson, Pat Crowley, Bev Goodale, Pat Halpin and Chris Rucho

Absent: Brenda Bowman and Bill Chase

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

Minutes: The minutes of the August 10, 2016 were not yet available to review.

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Mike Peckar, who is a member of the Open Space Committee as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Worcester Land Trust, joined the meeting to explain as revised application entitled "Malden Street South – 12.51 Acres at top of Goodale Street." Mike explained that the Land Trust has already purchased the property from Dennis Minnich with the expectation that the land would be resold to the Town – with the Land Trust being granted a conservation restriction to protect the land from development in the future. The purchase price for the land would be \$155,000; the cost for the CR would be \$10,000, and Pat Crowley reported that legal fees, closing costs etc. in connection with the transaction should not exceed \$7,500.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was,

VOTED: to recommend that the warrant article relating to the April 11, 2016 application, as revised on August 29, 2016, submitted by the Open Space and Recreation Commission and the Greater Worcester Land Trust relating to purchasing approximately 12 acres of land on Malden Hill South, and subjecting such land to a conservation restriction to be held by the Land Trust, all at a total cost of \$165,000, be adopted at the October semiannual Town Meeting; and further

VOTED: to recommend that the warrant article appropriating an amount of \$7500 to cover the Town's legal fees and other closing costs in connection with the Malden Hill land purchase referred to in the preceding vote.

PARKS COMMISSION APPLICATION

Steve Blake explained the application submitted by the Parks Commissioners entitled "High School Baseball Fencing & Netting" dated 9-2-16. The application asks for \$10,799

to complete the High School fencing project. Steve mentioned that the cost of the project is mostly for materials.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was,

VOTED: to accept the late filing of the Parks Commission application dated 9-2-16 relating to fencing at the High School; and further

VOTED: that the warrant article relating to the 9-2-16 application, submitted by the Parks Commission, for installing fencing at the High School at a cost of \$10,799 be adopted at the October semiannual Town Meeting.

Following the votes on the Parks Commission application, the Committee discussed the need for installing signage to indicate CPC funding of the fencing project. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was,

VOTED: to authorize Steve Blake to acquire and install appropriate CPC signage on or near the High School fences, at a cost not to exceed \$300, such cost to be paid from the CPC administrative fund.

In preparation for the upcoming October semiannual Town Meeting, Pat Crowley agreed to draft the appropriate warrant article relating to the CPC projects.

There being no further business, it was voted to adjourn at 6:45 pm.

A true record:

George F. Bernardin, Secretary