

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Budget/Management Committee
September 19, 2016, Monday

Present: Michael Molisse, Chairman
Jane Hackett, Councilor
Rebecca Haugh, Councilor

Absent: Patrick O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Brian McDonald, Councilor

Also Present: Brian Connolly, Chief Financial Officer
Joseph Callanan, Town Solicitor
John McLeod, Construction Supervisor
Robert Luongo, Planning Director
Rob McLean, Library Director
Nicholas Bulens, Administration Services Coordinator
Chip Fontaine, Town Engineer

Recording Secretary: Mary Barker

Chairman Molisse called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

16 130-Special Purpose Stabilization Fund Transfer for the Purchase and Installation of Solar Lights at the Municipal Parking Lot in Columbian Square

John McLeod presented the request; that the Town of Weymouth transfer the sum of \$150,000 from the Special Purpose Stabilization Fund for Capital Projects for the purpose of funding the costs associated with the purchase and installation of solar powered street lights for the municipal parking lot in Columbian Square. Bids went out in June. Two were received and one was determined to be nonresponsive. A portion of the work will be done now and the balance later with \$35-\$50,000 of in-house labor and expertise. Work will begin the first week in December. This is Phase IA; parking lot design and paving. The next phase will be the intersection. Mr. Luongo reviewed the plans. The Council voted \$20,000 for a peer review of the Cecil Group report and then they had to wait for the fall to obtain peak traffic flows. They have done some interim work with the merchants to get the square functional; restriping crosswalks and directional lines. They are working with the Police Department for signage and speed control measures.

Councilor Haugh noted the town was designated a Green Community earlier in the year and she asked if any of the project qualifies for funding from that source. Mr. Luongo responded that there is no grant funding for solar powered lighting, but it will reduce the town's energy costs. They will look into whether funding is available once they convert to LED lighting. Chairman Molisse asked how many lights are to be installed and will the DPW maintain them after installation—he also questioned warranty coverage.

A Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward measure 16 130 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 131-CPA Funding-Weymouth Public Library Historical Collections

Rob McLean and Kristin Lockhart, Head of Reference, presented the request on behalf of the Library; that the Town of Weymouth appropriate the sum of \$28,422 from the Community Preservation Fund- Historic Preservation fund balance for the purpose of funding the costs associated with the conservation and preservation of 16 objects from the Weymouth Public Library. Mr. McLean reported the items will be conserved and digitized. Ms. Lockhart reported it is part of a long-range plan to increase public awareness and to get the information online in time for the town's anniversary in 2022. She noted the items included in the proposal include daguerreotypes, and she brought some examples to show the committee. Another item is believed to be the only existing copy of a pamphlet by Cotton Tufts.

A Motion was made by Councilor Hackett to forward measure 16 131 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Haugh.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 132-CPA Funding-Puritan Road Flood Mitigation

Chip Fontaine presented the request; that the Town of Weymouth transfer the sum of \$8,496 from the Community Preservation Fund –Open Space Reserve Fund Balance for the purpose of funding the costs associated with design and permitting of a tidal culvert on Puritan Road. This is to mitigate the failing culvert running from Puritan Road to Great Esker Park. First year funding was for the analysis of the ecological health of the marsh. An initial study was completed and then another 75% reimbursed land management (Coastal Zone Management) A \$50K grant was applied for and that, with combined funds from CPC and in-kind services will be used to complete the environmental permitting. They intend to apply for a coastal management grant for the final work. This year's application will cover permitting and final design. They would have liked to get it done sooner but there are restrictions on the grant funding; work must be completed by June 30 of the grant year, so they had to split the project into several years.

Councilor Haugh thanked Mr. Fontaine for this; it's in her district and she looks forward to the work being completed.

A Motion was made by Councilor Haugh to forward measure 16 132 to the full Town Council with a recommendation for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Hackett.
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

16 101-Legal Counsel Representation for Town Council

Chairman Molisse reported that he spoke to Councilor McDonald who initiated the measure. Since he was unable to be present, the matter will remain in committee to be addressed in a future meeting.

Adjournment

At 6:23 PM, there being no further business, a motion was made by Councilor Hackett to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilor Haugh. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Barker as Recording Secretary

Approved by Councilor Michael Molisse as Chair of Budget/Management
Voted unanimously on 17 October 2016