

Town of Stoneham Capital Committee Notes

September 6, 2022 4:00 PM (via GoToMeeting)

Attendees: Tom Barry, Heidi Bilbo, Brian Blumsack, Eric Duffy, Kara Johnston, David Ljungberg, Cory Mashburn, Leia Secor, Dennis Sheehan, Marcia Wengen, Erin Wortman

1. Approve Meeting Minutes of 08/30/2022
 - a. Dennis Sheehan made motion to approve minutes, Cory Mashburn seconded. Unanimous. Jaime Wallace abstained.
 - b. Vote: 8-0-1 Approved Minutes
2. Historic Preservation
 - a. Overview by Dennis Sheehan of Grant Program
 - b. Dolly Wilson provided overview of Historic Preservation Plan
 - i. Outlines what has been done in the past and recommendations moving forward
 - ii. Survey Plan (previous data is from 1970s)
 - iii. Once plan is complete, allows opportunity for more grants. 50% match.
 - iv. Sudbury did a Preservation Plan for \$32,000 but would expect that number to be higher today with inflation. Separate survey plan could be \$15,000-\$20,000. Survey work would be \$10,000-\$15,000 for future years.
 - v. Grant cycle runs with opening in Fall. Could put RFP out and not award until grant was confirmed.
3. Recreation
 - a. Overview provided by Brian Blumsack and Erin Wortman
 - i. \$95K earmark received for Capen Street Playground from the state. Seeking \$100K additional to complete the project.
 - ii. Will have the \$95K in the next 30 days. If the Town wants it to be a larger project, than may want to wait to know what funding is available from Capital.
 - iii. Important to have accessibility at playgrounds, including paths, picnic table, sensory, etc.
 - iv. Playground was rated "poor"
4. Planning
 - a. Overview of Recodification
 - i. Not for Fall 2022 Town Meeting –
 - ii. Re-writing of town's zoning code. Was last updated in 1985. Have been making small changes since then. Planning Board and Board of Selectmen met in August and will be discussing further at a summit next week.
 1. Select Board would create a steering committee and work with a consultant to go through code, section by section. Have public meetings and discussions. Ask staff and boards for input.
 - b. Update on Downtown Redesign
 - i. Summer Public Engagement Session held
 - ii. Traffic Commission met to go through feedback and did a recommendation vote. BOS was updated over the summer with the Recommended Option 1B.
 - iii. Need to get to 25% design to move forward with funding. Can then proceed to TIP funding.
 - iv. Will need to move utilities.

5. Next Virtual Meeting: September 13, 2022 (Facilities, DPW, Fire, and Misc.)

Adjourn: 5:00 PM