

Rehoboth Community Preservation Committee Minutes, 28 June 2023

The meeting was called to order by Carol Williams at 7:20 p.m. in the Francis Farm Arcade building and on Zoom. Members present at this hybrid meeting were Carol Williams, chair, Arthur Peirce, vice chair, Rebecca Smith and Tish Vadnais in person and Lissa Solas on Zoom.

Selectman Skip Vadnais was also present in person.

1. Carol Williams reported on bids received for survey of the properties at 44 Bliss Street and 165 Fairview Avenue. There were two firm quotes, with considerable disparity in amount; the third company only provided an estimate and did not provide clear information about how a final charge would be determined. After discussion, the CPC determined that the estimate did not meet our criteria for an acceptable bid. Tish Vadnais moved to accept the lower of the other two bids, which was from Oak Hill Engineering. Arthur Peirce seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was carried unanimously.
2. The pending conservation restriction(s) on the CPC-funded portion of Francis Farm were discussed. Representatives from Wildlands Trust will visit the site on Friday to make a final determination about holding the CR. The organization that we hoped would hold a separate active recreation CR on approximately three acres currently containing a ball field has backed out. Arthur Peirce moved to hold that section out of the CR to be held by Wildlands Trust and to continue to look for an organization to hold a separate CR allowing for active recreation. Second by Tish Vadnais. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. (motion by Arthur Peirce, 2nd by Rebecca Smith unanimously approved by roll call vote).

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca H. Smith, secretary

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