

**Northampton Community Preservation Committee Minutes
September 19, 2018**

Time: 7:00 pm
Place: City Hall Hearing Room, Second Floor, 210 Main Street

Brian Adams	✓
Linda Morley	✓
Julia Chevan	
Chris Hellman	✓
Jeff Jones	✓
Martha Lyon	✓
David Whitehill	✓
Jack Finn	✓
Planning Board Representative - vacant	
Sarah LaValley - staff	✓

Brian called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

General Public Comment

None

Approval of April 18 2018 and May 30 2018 Minutes

Linda moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by David, the motion carried unanimously.

Chair's Report

Brian stated that the Committee will likely not have a new Planning Board representative until after the fall round due to vacancies on that Board.

A blessing of the Habitat for Humanity site on Glendale Road will occur on September 30.

Brian stated that he received a call from the Community Preservation Coalition regarding the Committee's decision to provide a partial payment of the dues billed by that agency, and a representative would like to speak with the Committee. The CPC agreed that this would be possible after the fall funding round.

Brian noted that eight applications totaling \$1,600,000 have been submitted for funding consideration.

Q&A for Applicants (if needed)

None

Discuss Small Grant Applications and Make Funding Recommendations

None

Review and Approve FY2018 Financial Transfers

Sarah stated that the estimated revenue is not final due to the state match not being know, but that the transfers are necessary to allow the City to set the FY20 tax rate. There will be approximately \$860,000 available for project allocations in FY19.

Chris moved to approve the transfers as presented by staff. Seconded by Jeff, the motion carried unanimously.

Request to Utilize Full Allocation for Historic Cemetery Project

Martha recused herself from discussion for this agenda item

The Committee reviewed a request from Mayor Narkewicz to allow the full \$100,000 allocation for cemetery funds to be utilized to allow the maximum number of stones to be repaired, also using a matching grant from MassHistoric. This will allow all priority one stones at all three cemeteries to be addressed, with additional priority 2 stones at Bridge Street to be treated.

Jeff moved to allow use of the full \$100,000. Seconded by David, the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting and Site Visit Schedule

The Committee agreed that visits to the King Street armory, Pine Barrens, Burts Bog Trail and Forbes Library would be helpful. Sarah will arrange scheduling of the indoor projects prior to the October CPC meeting, and on October 13 for the outdoor projects.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.