

Annual Town Meeting 2015

Article 24: Community Preservation Committee

A: Community Preservation General Budget

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate, pursuant to G.L. Ch. 44B §6, from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2016; and further, pursuant to G.L. Ch. 44B §6, to reserve for future appropriation from Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for open space, including land for recreational use; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; as well as sum of money to be placed in the 2016 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

Reservations:

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$56,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for community housing.

Appropriations:

\$21,000 (less than 5% of the estimated FY revenues) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year;

\$144,424.85 (One Hundred Forty Four Thousand four hundred twenty four dollars and eighty five cents) from Undesignated Funds and **\$56,000** (Fifty Six Thousand dollars) from the Open Space / Recreational Land Reserve for a total of **\$200,424.85** (Two Hundred Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Four dollars and eighty five cents) for: the Debt Service, principal and interest payments and any and all costs associated with Bond notes and instruments incurred by the Community Preservation Fund related to the Articles previously appropriated at Annual Town Meeting in 2013 (Articles 27(H) ATM 5-6-13 and 27(I) ATM 5-6-13);

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Annual Town Meeting in 2013 (Articles 27(H) ATM 5-6-13

B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, “Affordable Housing Trust Grant”

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account, the amount of **\$63,134** (Sixty Three Thousand one hundred thirty four dollars) and **\$16,866** (Sixteen Thousand eight hundred sixty six dollars) for a total of **\$80,000** (Eighty Thousand Dollars) as a grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for the purposes of Affordable Housing initiatives consistent with the Trust’s Articles of Incorporation and the accepted Town of Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Community Preservation Committee to enter into a grant agreement with the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust setting the terms for such grant, which may include a requirement that the owners of any dwellings subsequently receiving any of these appropriated monies from the Trust grant to the Town an Affordable Housing Restriction in said dwellings, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept such restrictions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance and Advisory Board recommends approval. (Vote-6-0)

MOTION: CPC Article 24 B

Harry LaCortiglia moved and it was seconded by Sandy Gerraughty that the Town vote to

appropriate \$63,134 (sixty three thousand one hundred thirty four dollars) and \$16,866 (sixteen thousand eight hundred sixty six dollars) from the Undesignated Account for a total of \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

ACTION: By a show of hands, the Moderator declared this passed unanimously

C: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, “Housing Authority Stormdoors”

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account, the amount of **\$3,600** (Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars) to the Georgetown Housing Authority for the costs related to the installation of storm doors at the Trestle Way Housing Authority Complex; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Housing Authority, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

D: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, “Digitization of Historic Documents”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of **\$22,000** (Twenty Two Thousand dollars) to be used solely for the ongoing preservation via digitization of Georgetown's historical documents and records. These historical documents will be scanned and appropriately archived ; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Georgetown Historical Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, “Town Hall Shrub Fence”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of **\$9,500** (Nine Thousand five hundred dollars) to be used for the ongoing preservation of Georgetown's Historic Town Hall through the installation of a Shrub Fence for the property; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Georgetown Highway Surveyor in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for this purpose and for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

F: Community Preservation Open Space / Recreational Land Category “Rehabilitation of American Legion Park (Phase 3)”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated funds the amount of **\$46,833** (Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three dollars) to further fund the ongoing engineering, permitting and implementation of improvements as recommended by the Georgetown Park and Recreation Commission, including all costs incidental and related to the rehabilitation of the American Legion Park. This will include the replacement of playground equipment; and improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other federal, state or local building, access, and safety codes; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Park and Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the rehabilitation of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

G: Community Preservation Open Space / Recreational Land Category “West St. Soccer fields Rehabilitation (Phase 1)”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Funds the amount of **\$45,000** (Forty Five Thousand Dollars) to fund the engineering, permitting and implementation of improvements, as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission, to the West Street fields, including all costs incidental and related to the rehabilitation of the facility; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen; Parks and Recreation Commission; and the Georgetown Water Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the rehabilitation of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund Open Space / Recreational Land Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

H: Community Preservation Recreational Land Use Category, “East Main Street Active Recreational Land Access and Development (Phase 1 Completion Costs)”

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account a total of **\$140,000** (One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars) to fund the ongoing engineering, legal, permitting, and development costs, including all costs incidental and related thereto, for the ongoing creation of an Active Recreational Facility at the location of the Recreational land off of Main Street, purchased by Art 20(E) of the Annual Town Meeting of May 4th, 2009; and to further provide for the costs of the engineering, permitting, development and legal pursuance regarding the access to and the continued development of The Georgetown Active Recreational Greenway of which the said Recreational land Facility is a component; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Parks and Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the development of this Facility. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to

the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

I: Community Preservation Recreational Land Use Category, “Active Recreational Land Purchases”

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account **\$158,000** (One Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars) to fund for Active Recreational purposes, the acquisition of two parcels of land totaling approximately 29 acres, and for the appraisal, survey, title research and legal costs associated with the purchase, gift or eminent domain of the purchase of the two parcels, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire said property. The first parcel, of approximately 9 acres, is identified as Assessors Map 16, Lot 6. The second parcel, of approximately 20 acres, is identified as Assessors Map 16, Lot 7. Said parcels are to be managed and controlled by the Parks and Recreation Commission of the Town of Georgetown. And further to provide for the costs of the engineering, permitting, development and legal assistance regarding the parcels for the access to and the continued development of The Georgetown Active Recreational Greenway. And further, that the Board of Selectmen, Community Preservation Committee and the Parks and Recreation Commission be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with the purchase and development of the parcels and including the conveyance of perpetual recreational restrictions in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 184, as required by Section 12(a) of Chapter 44B as amended, as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Georgetown to affect said purchase. Said restrictions may be granted to any organization qualified and willing to hold such a restriction in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44B. Any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.