

**Bedford Community Preservation Committee
Minutes of Thursday, July 5, 2012 - Regular Session**

Members Present: Vito LaMura (at large member), Don Corey (Historic Preservation Commission), Angelo Colao (at large member), Catherine Cordes (Selectmen, Park Commissioner), Robin Steele (Recreation Commission), Andreas Uthoff (Conservation Commission), and Shawn Hanegan (Planning Board).

Members Absent: Eugene Clerkin (Housing Authority), and Christina Wilgren (Bedford Housing Partnership).

Also Present: Richard Warrington, Public Works Director

Jessica Porter took the Minutes.

Vice Chair Colao opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Minutes

Mr. LaMura made a motion to approve the Minutes of May 22, 2012, as amended. Mr. Corey seconded the motion.

**The motion passed 5-0-2.
Mr. Hanegan and Ms. Cordes Abstained**

Old Reservoir Dam and Ring Well Construction Project

Mr. Corey gave a historical background of the Old Reservoir Dam project.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss additional funding beyond the allowable \$75,000 to be taken from the Historic Properties Preservation Fund (HPPF). The bids that were received came in at a higher amount than what was originally approved at Town Meeting.

4 Bids came in; the lowest bid was \$414,500. The provider of the low bid is not suitable for this project due to a lack of experience in working with historical dams. Public Works will be recommending to the Selectmen that the low bidder not be used.

The second bid came in at \$539,762. \$546,224 was the amount voted and approved for expenditure on this project. The second lowest bid would be able to handle the project, but an additional \$75,000 is needed from the HPPF to cover the bid as well as have contingency funds available for unforeseen expenses.

Ms. Cordes suggested that the Committee consider re-appropriating the \$75,000 to the HPPF fund at Fall Town Meeting.

Mr. LaMura made a motion to recommend approval by the Selectmen to utilize an additional amount, up to \$75,000, from the HPPF in order to hire the second lowest bidder on the project. Mr. Corey seconded the motion.

The motion passed 7-0-0.

Future Meetings

September 11 will be the next general meeting.

September 27 will be the public hearing.

Ms. Cordes made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Uthoff seconded the motion.

The motion passed 7-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Porter
Assistant Town Manager

Minutes approved: September 11, 2012

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