

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION REPORT

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2007

Present: Ald. Linsky (Chairman), Hess-Mahan, Lappin, Lennon, Parker, Vance, Yates;
absent: Ald. Sangiolo

Also Present: Ald. Baker

Others Present: Mayor David Cohen, Dan Funk (City Solicitor), Donnalyn Kahn (Assistant City Solicitor), Michael Kruse (Director, Planning and Development), Judy Jacobson (Chairman, Community Preservation Committee), Charlie McMillan, Ken Kimmell, Doug Dickson, Nancy Grissom, Steve Fauteux, Walter Bernheimer, Joyce Moss, Jeffrey Sacks (Community Preservation Committee Members), Karyn Dean (Committee Clerk).

NOTE: The Committee on Community Preservation voted to enter into executive session to discuss strategy regarding pending litigation in the matter of use of CPA funds for certain park improvement projects by a vote of 6-0 (Ald. Yates not voting). The Committee met jointly with the Community Preservation Committee and representatives of the Law Department. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Committee voted to exit the executive session by a vote of 7-0.

The Committee reconvened for its regular meeting to discuss the following items:

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#292-07 LOUISE BRUYN, 48 Glenwood Ave., Newton Centre, re-appointed as a Member of the FARM COMMISSION for a term to expire on July 31, 2010 (60 days 11-30-07). [09-13-07 @ 1:17 pm]

ACTION: **APPROVED 7-0**

NOTE: Ms. Bruyn submitted a written statement describing the work she had accomplished and what she hopes to accomplish in the term to come. The committee voted approval of the re-appointment after reviewing her statement.

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#293-07 JAMES HARPER, 59 Westminster Rd., Newton Centre, re-appointed as a Member of the FARM COMMISSION for a term to expire on July 31, 2010 (60 days 11-30-07). [09-13-07 @ 1:16 pm]

ACTION: **APPROVED 7-0**

NOTE: Mr. Harper submitted a written statement describing the work he had accomplished and what he hopes to accomplish in the term to come. The committee voted approval of the re-appointment after reviewing his statement.

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#294-07 JUDITH HEPBURN, 132 Stanley Rd., Waban, re-appointed as a Member of the FARM COMMISSION for a term to expire on July 31, 2010 (60 days 11-3-07). [09-13-07 @ 1:17 pm]

ACTION: **APPROVED 7-0**

NOTE: Ms. Hepburn submitted a written statement describing the work she had accomplished and what she hopes to accomplish in the term to come. The committee voted approval of the re-appointment after reviewing her statement.

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION
AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#308-07 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE requesting that its spending authority for fiscal 2008 be increased by \$422,974 over its originally approved budget. Funds to come from property tax surcharge; state matching funds; and investment income. [09-26-07 @ 1:01 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 6-0 (Ald. Parker not voting)**

NOTE: At the last Committee meeting, the Comptroller, David Wilkinson, addressed this item and issued a report that was distributed to the Committee. It showed that they essentially ended up with potentially more money. The CPC voted to approve these monies for inclusion in this present budget. The question was did they want to approve the money to be moved into the current budget or have it reside in a reserve account which can't be used for any other purpose. It could not be appropriated until it is accepted into the budget. Ald. Lennon moved approval of this item and it passed by a vote of 6-0 with Ald. Parker not voting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen M. Linsky, Chair