

COMMUNITY RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 21, 2022

Present: George Bitzas - Chair
Gerald Smith – Vice Chair
Anthony Russo
Robert Rossi
Cecilia Calabrese

Also Present: Councilors Cavallo, Hendrickson, Mercadante, Sandlin (remote), and Suffriti, Mayor Sapelli, Solicitor Buoniconti, David Cecchi, Jennifer Bonfiglio, Henry Kozloski, Corinne Wingard, Tom DiRico and Auditor Cheryl St. John

Called to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman George Bitzas at 6:00pm AJHS Teachers' Conference Room

AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes dated March 7, 2022

Motion to approve made by Council Vice President Calabrese and seconded by Councilors Smith.

The vote was **5 Yes, 0 No** approving the minutes.

2. TR-2022-40 - A Resolution appropriating from the Community Preservation Fund and authorizing the expenditure of Community Preservation funds for the documentation of the Byron C. Roberts Barn (\$8,974.00) (CPA)

There was discussion about the preservation of this barn. David Cecchi explained the reasons why spending this money for have the pictures taken is a great way to preserve these documents to form educational materials for future generations.

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council made by Council Vice President Calabrese and seconded by Councilor Russo. The vote was 5 Yes, 0 No.

3. TR-2022-41 - A Resolution appropriating from the Community Preservation Fund and authorizing the expenditure of Community Preservation funds for the purchase of benches to be used on town owned land (\$30,000.00) (CPA)

All the members expressed their support of this item. Councilor Bitzas noted that it is important not to crowd any particular area with too many benches because it takes away from the beauty of the area. Among the locations for these benches are the Senior Center, Feeding Hills Center, the Dog Park and the Feeding Hills Fire Station.

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council made by Councilor Russo and seconded by Councilor Rossi. The vote was 5 Yes, 0 No.

4. Any other business that may legally come before the Committee.

None.

5. Adjournment.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George Bitzas, Chair
Community Relations Sub-Committee