

LCHIP

Land & Community Heritage
Investment Program



LCHIP Grant Round 14 Decision Making Meeting
Wednesday, December 2rd, 2015
Fish & Game Headquarters, Concord, NH
Douglas S. Cole, Board Chair

Approved at January 11, 2016 Board Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Voting members present: Doug Cole, John Colony, Cynthia Copeland, Martha Fuller Clark, Jeanie Forrester (departed ~ 12:30) Harold Janeway, David Kidder, Julia Steed Mawson Rusty McLearn, Amanda Merrill, Bill Norton, Judith Spang

Non-voting members present: Tracey Boisvert, Susan Francher, Jennifer Gornert, John Kanter, Beth Muzzey, Pierce Rigrod

Invited Guest: Ben Wilson, DRED & historic resources review panel

LCHIP Staff present: Paula Bellemore, Melissa Jones, Jenna Lapachinski, Dijit Taylor

MOTION	To approve the Minutes from the September 28, 2015 meeting as presented	Harold Janeway
SECOND		Bill Norton
VOTE		Approved Unanimously

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING FINANCE REPORT

June Finance Report: The previously approved June Finance report was updated to explain the major difference between actual and budget as requested by the Board at the July meeting.

October Finance Report: Variances from budget were presented: Moose Plate money typically comes in slightly over budget for 11 months with difference made up in June. Granite Bank interest is above budget. Travel expenses are high for this time of year due to site visits. Signage costs are under

MOTION	To approve the October Finance Report as presented, with a comment that the notes to the financial statements were extremely well done	Cynthia Copeland
SECOND		Mandy Merrill
VOTE		Approved Unanimously

budget but will be incurred later in the year when it is clear which projects need new signs.

Update on Trust Fund: Treasury has enacted an accounting encumbrance for \$3,433,325.50 of funds in the Trust Fund that the Board previously awarded to projects.

Update on Community Conservation Endowment: Market Value as of 10/31/15 = \$3,191,518. These are the funds that generate the income that supports incentive payments to recipients who properly fulfill the annual monitoring report requirement.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A Nominating Committee of Doug, Mandy and Bill has been created to seek candidates to fill the Board positions that will be vacated in 2016 when Bill and Rusty reach their ten-year term limits. As requested, a list of board members and their term expirations was provided in the Board packet. The Nominating Committee will seek input from the rest of the Board seeking recommendations for candidates to represent cultural and historic and local planning interests. given for the board’s reference. Harold Janeway’s reappointment is before the Executive Council today. Julia is also pursuing reappointment.

GRANT SELECTION

The Board accepted the recommendation from the Finance Committee to commit the full budgeted amount of \$3.5 million to grant awards.

Each Board and staff member submitted a grant round conflict of interest form. There were no substantial conflicts among the Board members. Paula reported a conflict with the Hollis application and did not express opinions about the project when it was discussed.

Dijit presented a refresher in the selection criteria and overview of the process and thanks to the Review Panels who do so much to facilitate the Board’s decision making. Paula and Jenna provided information and images of each the 40 projects which applied for grants, allowing questions and discussion for each.

Motion	To provide funding in the amounts shown for the following projects:	Julia Steed Mawson	After an ex-
	Acworth Horse Sheds	\$34,000	
	Ashland Whitten Woods	\$50,000	
	Berlin St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts*	\$252,032	
	Barrington Stonehouse Pond Forest	\$420,000	
	East Kingston Monahan Farm	\$85,000	
	Enfield Smith Pond-Shaker Forest	\$325,000	
	South Danbury Church	\$80,000	
	Derry First Parish Church*	\$125,000	
	Dunbarton Stonehurst Farm	\$119,500	
	Francestown Beehive	\$90,000	
	Goffstown Black Brook Preserve	\$25,000	
	Hampton 1723 James House*	\$28,000	
	Hooksett Clay Pond 3	\$10,000	

	Hooksett Town Hall	\$19,000		ten siv e it- erat ive pro ces s, re- dis- cus sio n of proj ect de- tail s and car eful eva luat ion of Bo ard pri- oriti
	Keene United Church of Christ	\$70,000		
	Kensington Bodwell Farm	\$100,000		
	Lancaster Main Street Stewardship Project	\$36,500		
	Lempster Miner Memorial Library	\$29,845		
	Madbury Powder Major's Farm & Forest	\$380,000		
	Milan Community Forest	\$190,000		
	Milton Free Public Library	\$16,020		
	Milton Plummer Homestead	\$50,000		
	Moultonborough Castle in the Clouds	\$80,000		
	Orford Mason Pond	\$92,500		
	Peterborough Unitarian Church	\$7,550		
	Portsmouth Richard Jackson House	\$90,000		
	Portsmouth Wentworth Gardner House	\$24,090		
	Rye Oceanic Hotel	\$100,000		
	Stratham Lane Homestead	\$100,000		
	Walpole Vose Farm	\$68,000		
	Windham Presbyterian Church	\$20,350		
	Lyndeborough Rose Mountain	\$42,500		
Second			Bill Norton	
Vote			Approved unanimously	

*Projects with asterisks included special conditions in their grant awards. (Berlin re application for funding full historic structures report, Derry re proposed relocation of the building; Hampton re exterior work only with grant award.)

The following projects did not receive requested funding: Bennington Railroad Depot (\$189,153); Bristol Old Fire Station (\$27,000); Freedom Village Store (\$20,000); Hollis Howe Fields (\$124,213); Lebanon Rogers House (\$311,800); Peterborough Town House (\$37,500); Sanbornton Town Hall tower (\$11,000); Wakefield MMRG Conservation Plan (\$20,000)

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm. with thanks to the Board members for their engagement with the decision making process, an invitation to attend the grant award announcement scheduled for on December 15 at 10 a.m. in the Legislative Office Building and a reminder of the January 11, 2016 Board meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Melissa Jones
LCHIP Office Manager

Doug Cole
LCHIP Board Chairperson