

# GREAT BARRINGTON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

## APPLICATION FOR CPA FUNDING – Step 2

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All applicants submitting Step 2 must include a copy of their Step 1 application.

All applicants must answer questions 1-11, and question 19. For question 12-18, only answer questions that are applicable to your CPA area. For example, if your project has to do with Historical Preservation but does not include Housing, then you may skip questions 12, 13 and 14, but you must answer all questions under the subheading "Historical Preservation Projects."

You may attach additional sheets as necessary to answer the numbered questions, up to a maximum of 8 additional pages of narrative. These additional pages must be formatted with a minimum 11 point font, 1 inch margins. If your project combines two or more CPA priorities, such as Community Housing AND Open Space, then you must answer ALL questions under both of those 2 subheadings and you may include up to 10 additional pages of narrative. (Please note Open Space and Recreation is considered one CPA priority.)

*All pages must be numbered.* Please number each attached Page 1 of 8, Page 2 of 8, etc. If your answers are on separate sheets, also number each answer so that it corresponds with the number of the question you are answering.

Applicant Name Steve Larkin / Joe AberdaleProject Name Mason Library Exterior Wall Sconce RestorationProject Address 231 Main Street, Great BarringtonAssessor's Map 14 Lot 14-237-0

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### 1.) Project Budget (list all sources and uses, including grants, fundraising, etc.)

Total CPA funds requested: \$ \$40,000

Fill in the chart below showing all project sources and uses, including requested CPA funds:

Source Name	Amount	% of total	Used for	Committed?
CPA	\$40,000	82.47%	Restoration	
DPW Operating Budget	\$5,000	10.31%	Electrical Work	
DPW Operating Budget	\$3,500	7.22%	Oversight & Support	
Total budget:		\$48,500		

Attach additional budget sheets or project budget if necessary. Budget pages do not count towards the 8 page limit. Be sure to include project management, oversight, engineering, and administrative costs that may be incurred. Describe all funding that has been sought and/or is available for this project.

2.) Timing of Funds: Describe when CPA funds and other funding sources are to be received.  
July 1st, 2024 at the start of the new Fiscal Year.

3.) Existing use or deed restrictions, permanent easements, historic designations, special permits, etc. if any:

Will need the Historic District Commission (HDC) approval. Note, this project was recommended by the HDC to the DPW.

4.) Proposed Use or Deed Restrictions after Project Completion (in accordance with CPA rules):  
NONE

5.) Describe the project team, including project management personnel, design professionals, contractors, and other applicable consultants, their relevant experience, so forth. Attach additional pages/resumes as needed.

The Project Team will consist of the DPW Superintendent, Building & Grounds Department, Electrical Contractor, and an experienced restoration contractor.

Additional Information: These pages do not count towards the 8 page limit. Attach additional information as appropriate, for example:

- Project timeline;
- Plans or drawings stamped and signed by an Engineer or Architect as appropriate;
- Photographs;
- Map showing project location in town;
- Ownership letters or site control verification;
- Budgets;
- Feasibility studies;

- Existing conditions reports or needs assessments;
- Letters of support;
- Resumes and experience of key personnel;
- For Historic Preservation projects, if the project is not State Register-listed, the applicant must provide a letter from the Historical Commission which details the significance of the project to Great Barrington's history, culture, architecture or archeology.

## Funding Considerations

**6.) Consistency:** Describe how the proposed project is consistent with the Community Preservation Plan and with the Great Barrington Master Plan.

The restoration of the Wall Sconces is consistent with the Community Preservation Plan and the Great Barrington Master Plan as the project is looking to restore and preserve a historic feature of the Historic Mason Library

**7.) Town Projects:** Is the proposed project for a town-owned asset? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, please describe funding options. For example, what portion of the project budget is CPA funding? If CPA funds are not received, what are the alternative funding options, if any?  
If CPA funding is not received the alternate funding would be from tax payers or possible grant.

**8.) Public Benefits:** Describe the public benefits of the project.

Restore & Preserve a historic feature of the Town owned Mason Library

**9.) Leverage:** Will the CPA funds be used to leverage or supplement other funding for this project? Please explain other sources and whether they have been committed.

No

**10.) Community Input and Support:** Describe any community input, meetings and/or support that you have for your proposed project. Include support letters as applicable (they will not be counted towards the 4-page limit). Letters should be unique and not reproduced form letters.

Historic District Commission has Identified the Exterior Wall Sconces as an element in need of restoration & preservation.

**11.) Permits:** Describe permits that may be required, the status of those permits or applications, and/or when the applications will be submitted and permits received.

Historic District Commission approval

## Affordable Housing Projects

**12.) Affordable Housing Projects:** Clearly describe how the project meets the Affordable Housing goals of the Community Preservation Plan.

N/A

**13.) Affordability Level(s):**

N/A	% of area median income	no. of units	_____
_____	% of area median income	no. of units	_____
_____	% of area median income	no. of units	_____

**14.) Other Information:** Describe any other relevant information about the project and the site. For example: Is the site zoned for the proposed use and if not what is the plan for zoning approvals; does the project reuse a building or previously-developed site? Is the site or could the site be contaminated and if so what is the plan for remediation?

N/A

## Historic Preservation Projects

Applicants should note: all CPA-funded historic preservation projects must comply with the US Secretary of the Interior's standards for the treatment of historic properties.

**15.) Historic Preservation Projects:** Clearly describe how the project meets the Historic Preservation goals of the Community Preservation Plan.

**Restoring the Exterior Wall Sconces of the Mason Library meets the historic preservation goals of the community by preserving an original attribute of the Historic Mason Library.**

**16.) Other Information:** Describe any other relevant information about the project and the site. For example: is the site zoned for the proposed use and if not what is the plan for zoning approvals; does the project reuse a building or previously-developed site; is the site or could the site be contaminated and if so what is the plan for remediation.

**None**

## Open Space and Recreation Projects

**17.) Open Space and Recreation:** Clearly describe how the project meets the Open Space and Recreation goals of the Community Preservation Plan.

**18.) Other Information:** Describe any other relevant information about the project and the site. For example: Is the site zoned for the proposed use and if not what is the plan for zoning approvals? Does the project reuse a building or previously-developed site? Is the site or could the site be contaminated and if so what is the plan for remediation.

Attached

### Certification

**19.) This application was prepared, reviewed, and submitted by:**

Name: Joe Aberdale

Ph: 413-528-1619 Email jaberdale@townofgb.org

*I hereby certify that all of the above and included information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. [For non-municipal applicants only: I further declare my willingness to enter into a Contract with the Town of Great Barrington to govern the use and expenditure of CPA funds.]*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

  
12/1/2023

**All hard copies of the entire application package, and one PDF of the entire application package, are due prior to the 4:00 PM deadline.**

**Number all pages.**

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Project Time Line:

- End of May 2024
  - o Complete search for restoration contractor and draft a contract for execution after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024;
  - o Draft a contract to an electrical firm for execution after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.
- First part of July 2024
  - o Execute both contracts above
- Beginning of July 2024
  - o Have Restoration contractor remove wall sconces and commence restoration
  - o Have Electrical contractor inspect and verify electrical system. Make repairs as necessary
- Late Fall 2024
  - o Reinstall Sconces

### Plans or Drawings:

- There is no current intentions to have plans or drawings created

### Photograph(s):

- Appendix 1 has a copy of a library postcard from 1957 that shows the Wall Sconces in place.




Map Showing the Project Location in Town:



Ownership:

Parcel #: 14-237-0



231 MAIN ST

Documents

- [Building Sketch](#)
- [Patriot Final FY Property Card](#)
- [CAI Property Card](#)

Assessment

ID : 1307

PropertyAddress : 231 MAIN ST

PropertyStreet : MAIN ST

MapSheet : 14

OwnerName : TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON

CoOwnerName : MASON LIBRARY

OwnerAddress : 334 MAIN ST RM 208

OwnerAddress2 :

OwnerCity : GT BARRINGTON

OwnerState : MA

OwnerZip : 01230-1832



Existing Conditions:



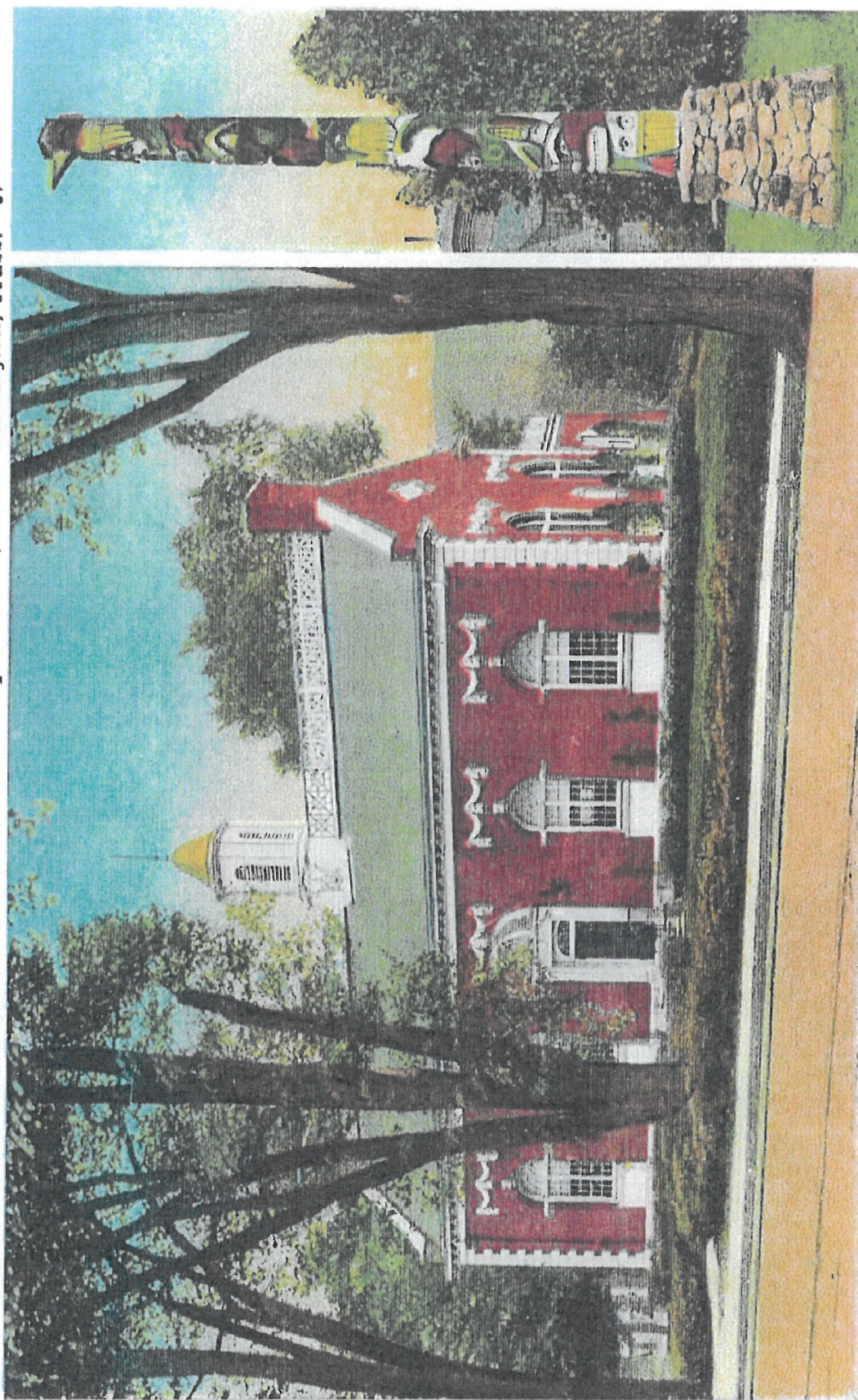
Letter of Support:

- Appendix 2 has The February 16, 2023 meeting minutes of the Historic District Commission.

# **Appendix 1**



Mason Library and Alaskan Totem Pole in Library Grounds, Great Barrington, Mass.—57



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# **Appendix 2**



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APR 26 2023 AM 10:51

**GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION**  
**Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes from February 16<sup>th</sup> 2023**  
Town Hall via Zoom Seminar 6:30 pm

**Attendees-**

Donald Howe, Chair  
James Mercer, Vice-Chair  
Abby Schroeder, Secretary

Not Present- Fred Clark, Member; Marilyn Bisiewicz, Alternate; Bill Nappo, Alternate

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Meeting called to order at 6:31 by Chair Howe with a Roll Call of Attendees.** Chair Howe and Vice-Chair Mercer were present in Town Hall and Secretary Schroeder attended by Zoom Seminar.

Meeting Notes for the October 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 Regular Hybrid Meetings were reviewed. Draft Review PDF had been distributed to all Members. A Motion by Abby Schroeder was made to approve the Meeting Notes for both dates as written and was seconded by James Mercer. Motion passed with Howe, Mercer and Schroeder all voting in favor on a roll call with none opposed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Mason Library Building/Site Conditions-** Chair Howe asked for a consensus by the members of the priority of repairs that have been pending for several years. Consensus was that the first priority is the "Clamshell" Canopy repair then painting trim and corner blocks along with the following items- repair of the walkway bollard light, **repair/restoration of the rusted entrance lamps**, repair/restoration of the entrance area hand railings and repair/cleaning of the unsafe front entrance steps. All these items should be undertaken immediately and implemented before (or at least in conjunction with) any other improvements.

**House Marker Program-** Chair Howe reported progress continues.

**Sumer Block-** Chair Howe noted an update that the Property is for sale and an offer is pending subject to an inspection this coming week.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mahaiwe Block CPA Application-** Vice-Chair Mercer confirmed that the new owner has been granted a CPA/CPC grant for exterior improvements.

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**Mahaiwe Theater-** Janis Martinson, Executive Director of the Mahaiwe Performing Arts attended the meeting with Staff Diane Wortis and Lucas Pawelski attended by Zoom Webinar. Janis presented the various items of work that are being proposed for the next two years. They are looking for various grants including MHC a preservation grant. Chair Howe noted that all the items required review by the HDC.

**Russell House-** Chair Howe noted that he has heard that the original Architect and applicant is no longer involved. He also noted that he has not been officially notified of the replacement.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Electrical Cabinets Graphics-** Vice-Chair Mercer is arranging for more installations.

**Next Meeting-** Next HDC Meeting will be the Regular Hybrid Meeting March 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 6:30pm.

**Motion to adjourn** at 6:41 pm by Abby Schroeder unless there is any objection was seconded by James Mercer.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald V. Howe, Chair  
Mar-16-2023



# PROJECT LOCATION

