

**Town of Great Barrington Community Preservation Committee (CPC)**  
Minutes of October 9, 2019  
Great Barrington Town Hall

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Members present: Thomas Blauvelt, Lisa Bozzuto, Leigh Davis, Jeremy Higa, Don Howe, Jim Mercer, Patricia Sharpe, and Karen W. Smith  
Absent: Martha Fick,  
Also present: Chris Rembold

**Call to Order** 5:30 PM by Chair Blauvelt

**Administrative Items** Smith moved to approve the minutes from August 6, 2019, Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor except Davis, who abstained.

**CPA Step 1 Review**

1. CDC of South Berkshire: 910 Main Street creation of new affordable housing  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Davis seconded. All were in favor.
2. Town: Affordable housing needs study  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
3. Town Housing Trust Fund: Acquisition of Alden property for housing and OS  
Higa moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
4. Town: Lake Mansfield Road final design  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Davis seconded. All were in favor.
5. BNRC: Public access to Barbieri forest  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Higa seconded. All were in favor.
6. Town: Old Route 7 Greenway Phase 2  
Higa moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
7. Town - Cons. Comm.: McAllister Wildlife Preserve  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Higa seconded. All were in favor.
8. Town - Cons. Comm.: Land Conservation Fund  
Davis moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Higa seconded. All were in favor.
9. Town - Library Trustees: Ramsdell Library windows and trim  
Blauvelt and Bozzuto recused themselves.  
Mercer moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Higa seconded. All were in favor.

10. Town - Hist. Comm.: Landscape/open space historic items  
Higa moved to accept the application as eligible in the historic resources category and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
11. Town - Hist. Comm.: Housatonic Village historic resource forms  
Higa moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
12. Town - Hist. Comm.: Preservation of historic trolley shelter  
Smith moved to determine, contingent on the Historical Commission voting that the structure is historically significant to the Town, that the application as eligible, and to invite a Step 2 application.  
Higa seconded. All were in favor.
13. GB Historical Society: Restoration and Preservation of Museum Spaces, Artifacts  
Mercer recused himself.  
There was a discussion that clarified that the work would restore historic structures, which might then be used for museum space or archives space.  
Smith moved to accept the application as eligible and invite a Step 2 application.  
Bozzuto seconded. All were in favor.
14. Town – HDC: Town Hall site improvements  
Mercer said the Commission seeks to do a study and design of the Town Hall campus. Committee members felt that since it is not necessarily preserving a historic resource that the application would be eligible in the category for creation of Open Space.  
Higa moved to accept the application as eligible in the Open Space category, and invite a Step 2 application. Bozzuto seconded.  
Howe, Mercer, and Sharpe abstained.  
Higa and Bozzuto in favor.  
Blauvelt, Davis, and Smith opposed. Motion failed, 2-3.

### Step 2 Deadline

Smith moved that step 2 applications be due at 4:00 on November 5, not November 1.  
Davis seconded.  
All were in favor.

### Reports from Committee Members None

**Upcoming Meetings:** November 12, location to be determined

### Citizen Speak

Several residents from the Linda Lane, North Plain Road asked about the Alden property proposal, including why it fits into CPA, and what the affordability levels would be. Rembold said it is CPA eligible if it is acquired for community housing purposes. He said the affordability levels are up to the applicant but in order to be eligible for CPA there must be some units affordable to households earning not more than 100 percent of area median income.

**Adjourned** at 6:30 PM

Minutes prepared by:

  
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