

Application for Community Preservation Funding

Project Name: Pratt Pond Fishing Jetties
Project Location: Lake View Cemetery, Pratt Pond Shoreline
Applicant: Upton Board of Selectmen
Contact: Ken Picard

Date: Wednesday, 27 August 2008

Project Overview

The Board of Selectmen are requesting CPA funding of \$40,000.00 to facilitate the installation of three fishing jetties be installed along the Lake View Cemetery shoreline. The proposal incorporates two styles of jetties. One jetty will be handicapped accessible; the two remaining jetties will not be handicapped accessible. The handicapped accessible jetty is designed with concrete piers, composite decking, guard rails, a paved parking and paved walkway. The non-handicap accessible jetties will be a simple series of concrete piers.

Currently fishing along the cemetery shoreline is done haphazardly. It is the intent of the jetties to focus the fishing access to primary spots. The jetties along the cemetery shoreline will facilitate easier and controlled access, which in turn will minimize future damage to the shoreline.

The Upton Conservation Commission has reviewed the proposal and has issued an Order of Conditions, note exhibit #1. The Mass. Department of Environmental Protection, File #311-0611, and the Mass. Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program, tracking #08-24096, has reviewed the project and has determined there is no negative impact of the proposal, note exhibit #2.

Project Plan

Design: Completed, note exhibit #3 (Project Design Drawings)

Implementation: The implementation of this project should take about thirty days from start to finish, based on favorable weather conditions. The jetties would be installed during the month of October, November and/or November.

Implementation Steps:

1. Funding Approval.
2. Conservation Commission review and approval.
3. Order concrete pre-cast piers
4. Reduce water level of pond to facilitate installation.
5. Install pre-cast concrete piers.
6. Install decking and guard rails on handicap accessible unit.
7. Install handicap parking and walkway.
8. Restore pond to normal water level.

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Budget

The estimated cost of this project is \$40,000.000
Note exhibit #4, contactor quotations.

Project Validation

This proposal meets the goal of the Natural Resources, Open Space & Recreation section of the Upton Master Plan, note exhibit #5. There is not a State and/or Federal mandate that initiated this request only a desire to make access to the cemetery shoreline easier, safer and controlled for people that like to fish. Note exhibit #6, letters of endorsement.

Project Management

The Upton Board of Selectmen will select a General Contractor to perform a “turn-key” installation of the fishing jetties. Upon completion of the jetties the Department of Public Work will be responsible for the maintenance of the jetties.

Funding Priority List

It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to fund and implement the entire project as one action item.

Funding Sources

It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to request 100% funding from CPA funding and will request 50% reimbursement funding from the Mass. Department of Fishing and Game, Fishing & Boating Access program. Note exhibit #7, Mass. Department of Fishing and Game documentation and request letter.

General Criteria

The Pratt Pond fishing jetties are eligible for CPA funding based on the CPA definition of “Recreational Use”. The fishing jetties will be used for noncommercial youth and adult recreational fishing.