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To: The Community Preservation Committee  
From: Amy Usowski, Conservation Administrator

RE: CPC Funds still available

2018 Article #57 Public Access of the Hinckley's Pond Remediation & Public Access Project, \$75,00 of the \$650,000

- We have the site plan from John O'Reilly and Associates. I have provided this numerous times in the past few months to the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation who owns the top part of the 'park' and have not received comment back. I will continue to try weekly as we need their permission to move forward on what we would like to do to do these improvements. I will bring a couple copies of this site plan to your meeting so you can see what a nice plan it is, and I ask for your guidance on how to get through to the state. I will bring Administration in on it in hopes they can help bring this to light. \$4,000 spent of \$75,000

2020 Article #31 (4) Restoration & Rehabilitation of Town-Owned Conservation Lands, \$20,000

- \$14,033.32 Remaining. Thus far the majority of the funds have been spent on heavy-duty post-and-rail fencing in the Bells Neck Conservation Area and Robbins Pond Conservation Area to keep people out of wetland resources and to help prevent vehicular and ATV use on trails. We are purchasing another \$2k worth of this fencing this Spring. We also used some funds to purchase 4 trail cameras to help with enforcement on our lands purchased with CPC funds as we routinely have vandalism and dumping. We purchased and installed brand new rules and regulations signs for our conservation areas. The remainder I am waiting to spend as the Conservation Commission is considering a gate at the Bells Neck Conservation Lands at the Depot Street entrance, to dissuade illegal activities that happen at night near the herring ladder.

