

ARTICLE 16B: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase for the amount, or otherwise for open space purposes pursuant to the Community Preservation Program and to accept the deed to the Town of Plymouth of a fee simple interest or less to 19 acres of land, more or less, in the Town of Plymouth located off Center Hill Road shown on Assessors Map 52 as Lot 26-U, 27A, 9C and 9F and further that said land shall be held under the care, custody, and control of the Conservation Commission, and to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town to effect said purchase; and as funding therefor to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues, fund balance, or reserves, and/or borrow a sum of money pursuant to G.L. c.44B or any other enabling authority, and transfer funds from Article 16b from FATM 2010 and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant a conservation restriction with an agriculture use in said property pursuant to G.L. c.44B, §12 and G.L. c.184, §§ 31-33; or take any other action there on.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

CPC RECOMMENDATION: Approval (unanimous)

The Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously in favor of article 16C at their meeting held Thursday, September 3, 2010 for Conservation Restriction for \$165,000 which later past at FATM 2010. The Seller later agrees to sell the remaining interest to the Town. On April 12, 2012 The CPC voted to purchase the Fee Simple interest for additional \$185,000 under the Article above 16B FATM 2012

SUMMARY OF THE CPC INTENT: The intent of the CPC is to improve the protection of existing Town owned land at the Center Hill Preserve. Initially, FATM 2010 under Article 16c allocated \$165,000 for a conservation restriction on twenty acres, more or less with the agricultural use held by the owner. This article will allow the fee simple purchase of the entire parcel. The committee is requesting an additional \$185,000 be allocated under Article 16b FATM 2012 for a total acquisition cost of \$350,000.