

**SCITUATE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Fiscal 2010 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Date: October 15, 2009

**Project Title:** SCITAUTE HARBORWALK/BIKE PATH

**Name of Applicant:** Mark V. Patterson

**Name of Organization:** Harbormaster

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**CPA Category** (circle all that apply)

Open Space

Historic Preservation

Recreation

Community Housing

**CPA Funding Requested: \$200,000.00      Total Project Cost: \$220,000.00**

Project Description: Please provide a brief project description below. Include a brief description of how your project accomplishes the goals of the CPA and include an estimated budget. Please include supporting materials as necessary. Please fully disclose and describe any relationship to any other CPC funded project.

ATTACHED.

NOTE: This application enables the CPC to review the request to ensure eligibility and offer guidance. If eligible, an Application for Funding must be completed.

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Other Funding Sources Applied For/Obtained:

Grants: \$ Applied For Obtained

Other (describe) \$20,000.00 Donation Applied For XX Obtained

Basis for project cost (i.e. appraisal, construction estimate, etc.-please attach all documentation supporting estimated project cost and basis)

Category(check all that apply): X Open Space X Historical Housing X Recreation

Lot and Plat: 7\*
Assessors Map #: 50\*
Number of acres in parcel: 28\*
Number of proposed housing units: N/A\*
Current Zoning Classification: Business\*

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By signing below, the Applicant agrees to the terms and conditions and all other requirements of this Application and agrees to be bound thereby if funding is granted for the Project.

Applicant's Signature [Signature] Date: 11/9/09
Printed Name: MARK V. PATTERSON
Title: Scituate Harbormaster

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR CPC APPLICATION**

This narrative is to provide supporting documentation for the Community Preservation Application for the establishment of a pedestrian promenade along the southern edge of Cole Parkway for use as a Harborwalk.

Scituate Harbor is the Town's greatest natural asset. The experience of visitors to the harbor will be enhanced by the creation of a safe boardwalk that provides an open space with unimpeded access and views to this beautiful and historic vista.

Currently the banking at the south end of Cole Parkway is deteriorating threatening the stability of the marsh which provides habitat to a wide variety of wildlife. Stabilizing this coastal bank will protect Satuit Brook an area that is both environmentally sensitive and historically significant. It represents the location where the early settlers first arrived and is the origin of the name of the town, Scituate.

The Harborwalk, in addition to providing walkers and cyclists safe access will, through the use of interpretive signs, give a lesson in Scituate's unique history. The signage will be interspersed along the walk at mini destinations where visitors can sit on benches while learning about Satuit Brook or the Irish Mossing Industry which for years was run from Lucien Rousseau Landing in Cole Parkway.

In addition the Harborwalk could become a part of the larger network of paths in town, for example the Driftway Bike Path and other pedestrian ways as recommended on page 13 of the Town's Master Plan: The Town should identify potential open space trail corridors which link active and passive recreation areas. Trails should be considered a prime way to encourage bicycling and walking as well as provide access to all types of recreation.

The Harborwalk is also an objective of other planning documents. The Scituate Harbor Public Access Plan, prepared by Urban Harbors Institute in July of 2002, recommends the creation of a Scituate Harbor Walk along the water's edge in Cole Parkway .