Minutes Capital Improvement Committee February 4, 2019

Attending: Kathy Logue, Cindy Mitchell, Greg Orcutt, Leah Smith, Bruce Stone, Richard Knabel Absent: Michael Colaneri, Joe Tierney

The meeting opened at 4:30 pm.

The minutes of January 7, 2019 were approved as presented.

Bruce reported on the new provision tied in to the new short-term rental legislation, which provides for the ability to set aside a percentage of short-term rental tax receipts directly into a designated stabilization fund. There is a required minimum of 25% per fund. The Selectmen are proposing that we set aside 30% each for municipal vehicle replacement and for highway improvements. Their argument is that these are things that are already in the annual capital improvement plan, and would cover such things as police cruisers, fire trucks, highway trucks, inspection vehicles and ambulances, as well as road resurfacing. In addition, this addresses Skipper Manter's concern that the budget may expand to fill the new revenue, rather than having this new tax help reduce the tax levy for the budget.

The committee reviewed the final drafts of the annual report text and chart, and authorized Kathy to make the few remaining edits and submit it.

The consensus was that no oral report was needed for the Annual Town Meeting, but if questions arose, Bruce was deputized to handle them.

The next meeting will likely not be held until September.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Logue

Approved September 30, 2019