

Minutes  
Capital Improvement Committee  
December 5, 2016

Attending: Mike Colaneri, Sue Hruby, Kathy Logue, Greg Orcutt, Leah Smith, Bruce Stone

Absent: Cindy Mitchell and Joe Tierney

The meeting opened at 4:32.

1. The minutes of 10/31 were approved with two abstentions.
2. Review of Department Requests:
  - Police: Kathy said we need \$27K for the new police cruiser. We have \$15K put away.
  - Fire:
    - Manny wants the apron in front of Station 1 to be repaved and can wait a year. We guesstimated it would be about \$45K.
    - He also wants a new tank for the Housing behind the Fire Station. CPC will cover half of it. Town will be asked for \$50,000 (other half).
  - Highways: Sue has been unable to get Rich Olsen to respond. Bruce will pick up the capital piece when he talks to Rich about his expense budget.
  - Paths: Complete Streets Program: This is work being done by the Planning Board. Sue will follow up with Bea Phear to determine what they are thinking and when we will see some capital requirements coming from their work.
  - Animal Control: Jen is estimating we will need \$31K for a small truck to replace the old van. A question raised about a capped truck is whether there is sufficient ventilation for caged animals in the back during the summer.
  - Howes House: Short term there are structural repairs that must be done immediately that may delay the roof replacement. We need to replace the old oil tank with electric or gas on demand hot water (This should have been taken out when the new heat pump was installed). Someone asked whether the oil tank is also heating the basement. Sue will check and let Leah know.
  - School:
    - The high school is applying to the State for money to renovate (\$20MM to 120MM, depending on the scope).
    - There are \$391K of maintenance items that cannot wait.
    - Up Island: we are still waiting.
    - Kathy also mentioned they have deferred their OPEB and that is hanging on the horizon.
  - Town Vehicles: There is a possibility that we will request a Town Vehicle for inspections. VH and OB got electric cars through a town grant. We're not sure that grant is still open. Some members stated that they would want to see hard numbers justifying this.

Next Meetings: 1/9/16 and 1/30/16 with 2/6/16 as a back-up date. Please mark your calendars. The meeting closed at 4:46. Submitted by Sue Hruby.

*Approved January 9, 2016*