

Minutes Capital Improvement Committee Town of Bellingham – Municipal Center Monday, April 23, 2007

1. Present: Joseph Collamati; Roland Lavallee; Mary Beth Cuomo; Toni Picariello
2. Absent: Eugene Corriveau
3. Meeting called to order: 7:02 p.m.
4. **ARTICLE 13 – TOWN HALL REHABILITATION (HISTORICAL COMMISSION)**

Ernest Taft appeared for the Historical Commission (“HC”). The North School was sold for \$181,500 at 2006 Fall Town Meeting. The original intent was that the proceeds from the sale of the school would be used to refurbish and renovate the exterior of the old Town Hall. The Historical Commission wants to get the Town Hall on the Historical Register so that they could apply for grants. They want to take the siding off the building and paint it like the original building was. They are looking into paint that last longer, so the building will not have to be paint as often.

The interior is being done by the Town Carpenter. There will be new furniture, building will be rewired, tin ceilings, repair to the chair railing along the walls

The building has a lot of historical assets. The tower still has the WWII platform, and the upstairs’ stage and flooring are original.

The HC will be happy to just save the building. If the bids to restore the exterior are more than the \$181,500, then the HC is willing to just put up siding and keep the building functional.

Mary Beth Cuomo/Roland Lavallee motion to recommend the funding for this article not-to-exceed \$181,500.00. VOTE: 4/0

5. **ARTICLE 10 – CAPITAL OUTLAY - Grove Street Standpipe Rehab -DPW (Joint w/FinCom)**

Donald DiMartino, DPW superintendent appeared. Amount requested is \$900,000.

This is strictly for recoating. There is no “pitting” to worry about. The contractors will strip everything off, down to the steel. Donald DiMartino would like to start work on July 14, 2007.

Bids will be in-hand next Friday, April 27, 2007.

Roland Lavallee/Mary Beth Cuomo motion to recommend this article for \$900,000. VOTE: 4/0.

6. Adjourned: **Mary Beth Cuomo/Roland Lavallee motion to adjourn. VOTE: 4/0.** 7:15 p.m.

(Minutes accepted 7/23/2007)