

MOULTONBOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE
Minutes of March 15th, 2012, Meeting

Members Present: Richard Brown (Chair); Barbara Rando; Josh Bartlett (Alternate); Alan Ballard (ABC); Peter Jensen (Planning Board); Heidi Davis (Town Finance Director); Bruce Woodruff (Town Planner)

Others Present: Dave Bengston (Fire Dept. Chief);

Richard called the meeting to order at 11:10 PM.

Alan made a motion to approve minutes of the CIPC meeting on February 23rd, 2012. Barbara seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The CIPC Committee met to review the Replacement or Repair of Rescue-1 vehicle that has been removed from road service due to being red tagged at its recent inspection for having cracks in the frame.

Richard reminded the Committee that originally Chief Bengston had proposed replacement of Rescue-1 in 2012 or 2013. The 1993 Pumper (Engine-3) had been tagged in an inspection with an inadequate frame due to structural issues, the Chief worked with the CIPC to modify the replacement plan putting correction of that problem in 2012 and moving replacement of Rescue-1 to 2016. He noted that most Committee members had reviewed the actual vehicle at the Public Safety building earlier in the day. He also noted that the State inspection process had resulted in the vehicle being taken off the road and out of service. In the short term other towns will assist as they are able and the town will use other vehicles to bring equipment that can be moved to emergencies as they occur but some equipment could not be moved as it is affixed to the vehicle.

Chief Bengston discussed options and issues regarding how the “immediate” replacement need had occurred and how similar occurrences might be prevented (or frequency reduced).

Committee members asked many questions and many people in attendance also asked questions and made comments.

After examining pros and cons of repair options and the pros and cons of alternate replacement options the Committee reached consensus that replacing the vehicle with a new vehicle designed to meet Moultonborough’s service needs would be the most sensible action for the town.

Peter made a motion to support the recommended proposal for replacing Rescue-1, flipping it in the replacement schedule with Engine-2, and financing it with a five year lease to buy. Joel seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 22nd, 2012 at 1:00 PM.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joel seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Jensen,
Capital Improvements Program Committee