

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE**  
**Public Meeting Minutes**  
**July 7, 2008**

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The meeting of the Capital Improvement Committee was convened at 6:29 PM in the New Durham Town Hall located off Main Street.

**Present:**

Christopher Lapierre, Chairman  
Padraic McHale, Appointed Planning Board Member Representative- Co- Chairman  
Ron Gehl, Selectmen's Representative  
Terry Jarvis, Appointed Member at-large  
Lois Parker, Budget Committee Representative

**Excused Absence:**

Ron Gehl, Selectmen's Representative  
April Whittaker, Town Administrator

**Others Present:**

Mark Fuller, Road Agent  
Joe Bloskey, Solid Waste Manager

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion Terry Jarvis, second Padraic McHale to approve the minutes of June 23<sup>rd</sup> as written. Vote was unanimous with Lois Parker abstaining.**

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

Mark Fuller pointed out to the committee a correction to the spreadsheet of three of the trucks life expectancy should be 10 years not 12. He also informed the committee that if a proposed subdivision in Coppolecrown goes through, the current truck used in that area would not be big enough to carry enough sand and that the Town might be looking at purchasing a bigger 10 wheeler truck . A discussion ensued on how long it might be before this would be a concern. It will depend on if the subdivision is approved and how long it takes. Mr. Fuller stated that he will be requesting the Board of Selectmen(BOS) place the out right sale price of the truck being replaced back into the Capital Reserve Fund(CRF).

Mark Fuller gave a time line sheet to each of the committee members showing which truck or piece of equipment would be replaced in each year(see attached).

There are currently no savings for the Grader and the Loader. The committee had recommended \$73,696 be placed in the equipment capital reserve, but only \$40,000 was approved at Town meeting. The committee will be asking Town Administrator, April Whittaker, and Selectman Gehl for clarification of this at the next meeting.

Mark Fuller stated that at this time he was not looking at any additional equipment that fell within the guidelines of the Capital Improvement Plan Committee(CIP).

Mark Fuller explained to the committee that he is waiting on FEMA for Davis Crossing. He met with hazard mitigation and took them to review the three projects in which the Town has applied for grants. They stated there might be a few changes recommended, one which would be the State now requires natural bottom culverts where there is running water. Mark explained that natural bottom culverts are more expensive than box culverts. Davis Crossing would require a natural bottom Davis Crossing. An overflow pipe might be a possibility for Old Bay Road.

Mark Fuller also told the committee the estimated costs for crushing or purchasing of gravel is low because of the economy. He also stated that the highway department would do most of the work themselves for the addition to the garage.

#### **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT:**

Joe Bloskey told the committee that the Town mechanic would like to move the purchase of a new skid steer from 2013 to 2010-2011 because they would get a better trade-in value. The committee also felt that would be easier on the budget because there are no big expenses for the highway department or solid waste in 2010.

Joe explained that NH Beautiful will pay a grant of 50% of the cost for the baler. If the grant is approved, it would only be good for a year which would mean the baler would have to be moved from 2012 to 2009. The committee felt this would be beneficial to the Town because they would only have to pay 50% of the cost. The committee decided to leave it where it is until word of whether or not the grant is approved.

Mr. Bloskey explained to the committee that in two more years there will be no more brush burning at the transfer station and that it might be beneficial to purchase a chipper. The town residents could get wood chips and mulch free and the town could sell it to businesses.

The committee has asked Joe Bloskey to provide the committee with a sketch of the proposed addition. They asked him to also consider whether or not it would be possible to build the addition in phases. Joe suggested a tour of the Alton facility to help the committee get an idea of the type of set up he would like to have here in town. The members of the committee thought that would be a good idea.

The 50 yard roll off was the next item discussed. Joe explained that the Town owns two roll offs now, but has to rent any additional ones. Terry Jarvis asked that instead of just replacing one of them in 2016, would it be more beneficial to the Town to purchase a third one especially considering the growth of the Town. Joe said he agreed it would be a good idea because especially on weekends both of the roll offs filled to capacity.

The committee has asked Joe Bloskey to put together some numbers that show how much money would be saved with the baler. They also asked him to determine how big the first phase of the addition would need to be and an estimated cost.

**Motion by Terry Jarvis, second Lois Parker to adjourn. Vote was unanimous.**  
The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Zuzgo

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD  
ON JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2008  
AT THE TOWN HALL**