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Financial Planning Committee

January 10, 2008

Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall 63 Main Street, Northborough

Present:

Chair James Halpin Vice Chair Jason Perreault David DeVries Roger Leland Michael Hodge Chris Kowal

Also Present:

John W. Coderre, Assistant Town Administrator Kara Buzanoski, Director of Public Works

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Jason Perreault moved approval of the December 6, 2007 meeting minutes; David DeVries seconded; passed unanimously.

<u>Review of Public Works, including Water & Sewer, Capital Improvement Program</u>
DPW Director Kara Buzanoski reviewed her department's capital requests beginning with Parks & Recreation, then Highway, Cemetery, and Water & Sewer.

New Business

Assistant Town Administrator John Coderre distributed the January 31, 2008 Financial Planning Meeting Agenda, which includes on it the scheduled the review of the K-8 School projects.

Jim Halpin asked that a communication be sent to the School Superintendent indicating the Financial Planning Committee would like him to come prepared to the January 31st meeting to also address any future capital plans for the Regional High School. The Committee briefly discussed their understanding that some of the older portions of ARHS may be in need of upcoming capital projects. The Committee would like to get a sense of what projects are potentially out there and when they might be requested for funding.

Capital Improvement Departmental presentations

The Committee reviewed the schedule contained in the December 6, 2007 meeting minutes, and confirmed that the dates were acceptable to all members.

The Chair discussed possible future departments' presentations. The Committee agreed that the Fire Department and the Senior Center should be scheduled for the February 7th meeting. The Committee will discuss scheduling additional departmental meetings at a future date.

Update on Algonquin Reimbursement Negotiation Committee

Jason Perreault provided a brief update on the Algonquin Reimbursement Issue. He noted that the Regional School Committee is scheduled to meet on January 28th to take up this issue again. It is unclear what the Regional School Committee's intent is at this time.

Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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