

Town of Seekonk Massachusetts / Capital Improvements Committee

MEETING MINUTES: June 1, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chairman Keith Tavares @ 6:39 p.m. in the Board of Selectman Meeting Room, Seekonk Town Hall

ATTENDING: Chairman: Keith Tavares, Vice Chairman: Noah Escaler, Secretary, Susan Rutter, Member: Steven Rutter and Member: Erin Brouillette. Also attending were 3 members of the public. (Chris Zora, Nick Amaral and Lauren Walsh)

ITEM 1 – Member Erin Brouillette has resigned from the Committee as she is an elected representative of the School Committee. She will serve as a liaison from the School Committee with the CIC.

ITEM 2 – Approve meeting minutes from March 8, 2017, with one edit. Keith made a motion to accept and Steve seconded.

ITEM 3 – The Committee reviewed the Warrant Article for the June 5, 2017 meeting. We were not given any details as to what the Committee recommended and what was in the Warrant Article.

Our concerns are as follows:

Item 2 – FY2017, the amount for the first year of the lease for the Fire Engine was \$71,352 but for FY2018 it is \$80,713. What is the reason for the increase?

Item 3 – DPW Dump Truck year 2 – we were under the impression that this was being absorbed into the DPW operating budget. Is that not the case?

Item 4 -Finance department printer replacement is now \$10,000 when originally it was \$15,600. This is now under the \$15K threshold and should either be funded from free cash or operating budget.

Item 10 – Town Hall generator. The CIC still has not heard of a justification for this purchase and will be asking at town meeting.

We recommended replacing one of the school's dishwashers but noticed it is not on the warrant. What is the reason?

We realize these questions are coming late and plan to raise them at the town meeting if they cannot be answered prior.

ITEM 4 – Erin Brouillette notified the committee that the School Department will not be able to take advantage of additional funding from the MSBA, as they have changed the threshold for new roofs to ones over 30 years.

Motion to adjourn made by Keith and seconded by Noah and meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.