

## **MINUTES**

## CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

# WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 6PM POLICE STATION, 275 DOUGLAS STREET

Present: Ed Maharay, Tracey Ante, Amanda Ayers, Peter Emerick, Jim Horwath and Marsha Petrillo. Also present: Finance Director David Genereux, Superintendent Kevin Carney, Jen Modica (Board of Selectmen), Jack Daley (Council on Aging), Mark Francis (Board of Library Trustees) and Paul Paulino (Recreation Commission).

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. TOWN CAPITAL PLAN:

- a. Presentation of new projects:
  - i. Recreation Commission
    - 1. Paul Paulino presented a project for relighting Whitin Field. The project was estimated to cost \$84,800, of which National Grid would pay 90%. The project would save between \$7,000 to \$14,000 annually. Paul is going to work with National Grid to get better estimates on the cost and cost savings of the project as well as an understanding of the timeframe.
  - ii. Uxbridge Free Library
    - 1. Library Renovation/Expansion
      Mark Francis presented preliminary plans for the
      renovation/expansion of the library. The project would expand the
      library from its current 8,354 sq. ft. to 25,038 sq. ft. at a projected
      cost of \$6,603,000 (extrapolated from estimates made in 2000).
      This cost does not include the purchase of new land. The library
      serves 3,000 people. Because of its age (1893) the building does
      not meet ADA code. The Massachusetts Board of Library
      Commissioners has a grant program that could contribute
      approximately \$2,900,000 to the project.
    - 2. Interior painting Mark presented a Project Fact Sheet for this project.
  - iii. Town Hall & Library Energy projects
    - 1. The proposals for energy savings is being rethought and will be presented at the October 23 meeting.

#### III. **CAPITAL PRIORITIES**

- a. There was universal agreement that, right now, the priorities needed to be:
  - i. School building repairs (roof replacement for Whitin and McCloskey and classroom floor replacement)
  - ii. (or i.a) Bridge and culvert replacement
  - iii. Library fire escape
- b. Beyond that the committee was very interested in conservation projects, like the field lighting project, that will save the town money (which, in turn, might be used to fund routine maintenance or capital needs)
- c. Worthy projects, like a new Senior Center, Fire Station and Library renovation/expansion will have to wait. They should be considered for FY18 when funding becomes more likely.

#### **NEXT MEETING** IV.

- The next meeting will be October 23 at 6pm at the Police Station. At this meeting the committee will receive information on:
  - i. The field lighting project
  - ii. A presentation on the ideas for energy savings for Town Hall and the
  - iii. The first look at a capital financial plan prepared by the Finance Director.

#### V. MINUTES

VII.

- a. The minutes for June 12, July 10 and August 28 were approved,
- VI. **OLD/NEW BUSINESS:** None.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:15

MSDV: Jim Horwath/Amanda Ayers	(6-0-0)
Chair Ed Maharay  Tracey Ante	Jim Horwath  Masha Jahn / Lo  Marsha Petrillo
Amanda Ayers  Amanda Ayers	
Peter Emerick  12/4//3  Date Approved	