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MINUTES

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2017 6PM LOWER TOWN HALL 21 SOUTH MAIN STREET

Present: Jeanne Daley, Rob Dandrade, Barry McCloskey, Ed Maharay, Joe Marchard and

Marsha Petrillo,

Absent: Jim Horwath

Also present: Chief William Kessler, Fire Department, Captain Melissa Blodgett, and Benn Sherman, Director of the DPW.

I. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00.

II. Approval of Minutes;

The minutes of July 12 were deferred until the next meeting.

III. Fire Department:

Cardiac Monitors

Chief Kessler, along with Captain, Blodgett, reviewed the status of the cardiac monitors used in the ambulances. The Department heard that Phillips, the maker of the monitors, will not be continuing their out of hospital cardiac monitor business. A conversation with Phillips revealed that the company would service the monitors while parts were available. The plan was to have the monitors, which are eight years old, refurbished but in light of this news the department feels it would be best to buy new monitors. The cost would be \$66,089.94, including a four year warranty.

The motion was made by Rob Dandrade, seconded by Jean Daley, to recommend the purchase of new cardiac monitors. The motion passed unanimously.

[Subsequent to the meeting, the committee received an email from Chief Kessler stating that the department received notice that "Philips was committed to providing service to existing customers until December 31, 2020, and would guarantee availability of parts until then as well". The expectation is that there will be a leap in capabilities of the next generation of monitors and, as a result, the Chief is "withdrawing my request for funding

of new cardiac monitors this year. It is likely that we will look for that funding in the next "2-3 years."]

Fleet (Rolling Stock)

Chief Kessler put together an inventory of the department's fleet, which showed 14 vehicles with a estimated replacement cost of \$4.1 million. The annual amount needed to replace these apparatus, with their various life spans, is \$231,489.

IV. Water and Wastewater Enterprises:

Benn Sherman spent time going over the issues facing the two enterprise activities. The review included a list of projects and pictures of the inside of the town's sewer system. The ability to plan and coordinate repair work for the water and wastewater functions is made difficult by fact the town's utility, road, water and wastewater systems travel the same paths. For example, it makes little sense paving a road only to tear it up later to upgrade the water or wastewater system. And the question of funding, on all parts, becomes a major issue.

The BOS is looking for volunteers to be part of a water and sewer advisory committee. As most of the questions are capital in nature, the question was raised whether the Capital Planning Committee would be better suited to perform this function.

- V. Old/New Business: None.
- VI. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 27.

VII. Adjournment: 7:10pm

MSDV: Rob Dandrade/Joe Marchard (6-0-0)

Ed Maharay (Chair)

Marsha Petrillo

Rob Dandrade

Jeanne Daley

Date Approved

Him Horwath (Vice Chair)

Joe Marchard

Barry McCloskey