



TOWN OF WAREHAM CAPITAL PLANNING

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Committee Members:

Mark Andrews, Town Administrator
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Charles Klueber, Planning Board
Alan Slavin, Member, co-chair
Cara Winslow, Selectman Liaison
Mary Jane Driscoll, Member
Open at large Member
Elizabeth Zaleski, Town Accountant

Minutes of Meeting: 1-24-11

Present – Alan Slavin, Charles Klueber, David Trudell, Mark Andrews
Absent: Mary Jane Driscoll

Guests – Frank Heath (Fin Com), Barry Rabinovitz, Ana Miranda

Meeting opened 9:02 am at school Transportation garage

Minutes approved: none

Committee proceeded to inspect and review complete setup of the garage complex as to all phases of its functions. Questions were asked and answered. The committee came away with the information needed. It was determined that the repair facility was not adequate for what was required. The school dept. has made do with what they were given. The major problem is that due to lack of funding the bus fleet has aged requiring a substantial portion of the existing fleet be replaced.


The Committee asked that the School Dept. provide a complete breakdown of the numbers that make up the \$1.5 million the school projects as its yearly cost to run the bus system. Ana said she would have that ready before the committee's next meeting on the 17th.

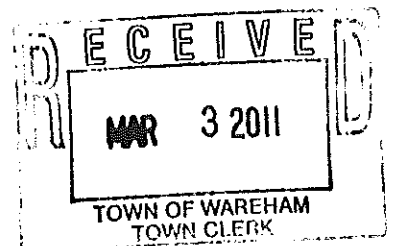
The committee then moved back to Town Hall to continue its meeting. Alan had expressed concern that we wait till fall town meeting to bring forth the capital item requests. Mr. Andrews said felt certain items needed to come forth at the spring TM. Mr. Andrews would make a final list for the committee.

The committee would work on the school department's latest request for 5 buses per year as to whether this plan would work. This would be flushed out at the next meeting. The Committee started to layout its schedule to enable it to provide its annual 5 year report at Spring Town Meeting.

Next meeting tentative for 2-17-11 room 23 Town Hall at 9:00 am

Meeting closed 11:40 am motion vote 3-0-0


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Minutes of Meeting: 2-17-11

Present – Alan Slavin, Charles Klueber, David Trudell, Elizabeth Zaleski, Mark Andrews, Mary Jane Driscoll

Guests – Frank Heath (Fin Com)

Meeting opened 9:06 am

Minutes approved: none

Committee proceeded to open discussion on price of school bus contracts versus the cost of the school dept. running the program. All members provided input. We will continue on this at next meeting.

David handed out capital plan items for this spring and fall Town Meeting which we asked the TA to confirm what he intended to bring forth at the Spring TM. Mr. Andrews will provide that to the committee next week.

Alan discussed the request for 29 bus's and financing, alternative of 5 new bus's per year. It was determined 5 bus's per year would not solve the problem and 29 at once would fix the issue as long as remaining older bus's (48-29) were replaced on a yearly schedule. If not then about 7 years down the road the same problem is back that we now face. Mary Jane explained that the program requires 24 large bus's to and from school, 1 coop to coop W. Wareham Academy, 4 large bus's m/o day bus, 12 Sped bus's for in and out of town. Bus fleet need 28 lge bus's (77 passenger), 12 sped bus's (12 to 45 passenger), 1 five wheel chair bus, 2 vans for out of town, 1 directors vehicle, 3 late day bus's for athletics' etc. Dave provided current list of all the buses. Alan said we had 38 bus's running per our visit to the garage out of 48 we have.

It was decided David and Alan (Frank Heath-Fin Com will assist) to continue working the spread sheets provided then meet with the TA on March 1st to go over the results in prep for March 3rd meeting.

Frank provided his thoughts that to match with the bid spec's for of 3 year old fleet average it would require the Town to replace 8 bus's per year for 6 years to meet the 3 year old fleet average (it would take 6 years), then we would have to continue replacing 8 bus's every year from that point on!

Next meeting tentative for 3-3-11 room 23 Town Hall at 9:00 am

Meeting closed 11:50 am motion vote 4-0-0

David Trudell
Acting Clerk

