

Capital Budget Committee
Final Minutes
November 9, 2010 Meeting
Selectmen's Meeting Room

Attending were Sharon Grant, Chair; Carol Lisbon, Selectman; Mark Sarro, Long Range Planning; David Melville and Dave Stapleton, Warrant Committee; Peter Mitchell and Mike Aceti, Members at large. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 AM.

1. Vote to approve minutes of October 26, 2010, 7-0.
2. Fire/Ambulance requests. The FY12 item for turnout gear is to replace all 36 outfits, which are 4.5 to 14 years old. Chief Hughes said if necessary, only 25 or even 18 outfits could be bought this FY, and in future years a certain percentage replaced. Outyear items: the ladder truck for FY13 could be pushed out 1-2 years if needed; squad 2 vehicle for FY14 may get refurbished and last five more years.
3. Library requests. The carpet replacement item under BOS is required for safety because the library reconfiguration will expose compressed areas and holes from electrical boxes etc. The FY12 item is to upgrade the staff workroom designed for 4 people but now used by 12. Director Abdullah noted that the Hovey Fund is paying for over 75% of the reconfiguration of the upstairs public space and that a grant was used for redoing the Community Room downstairs. It was suggested that the library website be referenced in the Blue Book and include an interactive map.
4. Police requests. The two squad cars scheduled to be replaced this year will have 90K-100K miles on them by replacement time. The old model car, the Crown Victoria, is being discontinued; costs for the new model and for converting equipment to it are not yet known. The repeater/comparator is to replace the 16-year-old model, which is getting impossible to find parts for. Acting Chief Farrell said he will discuss with the incoming Chief a replacement schedule to purchase narrowband-ready portable radios by the required deadline.
5. Selectmen requests. The water pipeline construction for Caryl Park fields (\$300K) was removed from the P&R request since they don't have the responsibility for this item. The Chickering well has five wellheads, has lasted over 50 years, and has not been a problem.
6. Highway requests. A slide-in sander will replace one 11 years old that has been repeatedly welded and fixed.
7. Next meetings: (a) joint meeting of CBC, WC, and DSC Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 6:30 PM at Chickering School, tour facility at 6:15 PM; (b) Tuesday, Nov. 23 [P&R@7:30 AM, Sidewalks@8].
8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Grant, Chair