

Capital Budget Committee  
Amended Minutes  
January 25, 2011 Meeting  
Selectmen's Meeting Room

Attending were Sharon Grant, Chair; Peter Mitchell and Mike Aceti, Members at large; Carol Lisbon, Selectman; David Melville and Dave Stapleton, Warrant Committee; Mark Sarro, Long Range Planning. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 AM.

1. Minutes of November 23, 2010, were approved, 6-0.
2. The discussion of the P&R Caryl Fields Project was canceled, as this article has been withdrawn; P&R intends to resubmit the proposal next year.
3. Valerie Spriggs and Christine Tague were present for the School discussion and asked if unused CB request funds could be used for other purposes; the CBC said that they cannot -- all excess CB funds are to be returned to the Town. In addition, CB items that were not approved in a given FY cannot be paid for out of the Operating Budget for that FY. However, such items can be resubmitted the following year or be privately funded.
4. The Committee voted on the following requests:
  - a. Fire turnout gear for \$90,000; as the gear varies in age and condition, \$45,000 was approved for FY12 and \$45,000 for FY13. The Fire Dept will be encouraged to submit a revised CB request to reflect this change. Amended amount approved as "A" 7-0.
  - b. Highway sander for \$19,000 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - c. Library staff room for \$9,550 approved as "A" 6-0; Dave S abstained.
  - d. P&R girls' softball field for \$25,000 approved as "B" 7-0. P&R will be asked to submit a revised request form to reflect that this item will not be a special article.
  - e. Police vehicles (2) for \$65,500 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - f. Police repeater/comparator for \$20,000 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - g. School computer technology upgrade for \$49,850 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - h. School wireless clock system for \$10,783 approved as "B" 7-0.
  - i. School ipads for Reporters program for \$13,180 was not voted. This is a program-specific request not benefiting the entire school and, as such, is not a CB item. In future, such items would be more appropriate as part of the computer technology plan.
  - j. School server virtualization for \$39,600 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - k. School carpet replacement for \$10,986 not voted, as DSC plans to defer this item and resubmit request next year for tile carpeting, which will allow selective replacement in high traffic areas.
  - l. School cedar siding staining for \$7,500 approved as "A" 7-0.
  - m. Dedham St sidewalk not voted, pending results of meetings and studies.
  - n. D-S Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant item not voted, but it was noted this will be a special article in the Warrant. Dover's share is estimated at \$150,000.
5. Valerie expressed her deep appreciation for the outstanding help of Craig Hughes and the Highway Dept and of Acting Chief Ferrell and the Police Dept in dealing with snow and power outages in homes.
6. The final Chickering protocol, clarifying the criteria for capital vs operating budget items, was approved 6-0. A copy signed by the chairs of DSC, WC, and CBC will be entered into the Town records.
7. Next meetings: Thursday, February 17 and, if necessary, Monday, February 28.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Grant, Chair