

Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Minutes of the 01/22/2019 Meeting

The meeting was called at 6.40 pm.

Members present: Rodney Richard, Paul Schumann, Andy Wyatt and Jan Pieter van Voorst van Beest.

Guest: Jonathan Morris, First Selectman

The minutes of the 1/15/2019 meeting were approved as amended.

The committee was to discuss the equipment life of the truck # 2, 3 & 4 with Dick Clarke, the Road Commissioner.

Due to a miscommunication Dick was not present so after some discussion and research of different possibilities on the life of these trucks it was decided to set the life of the trucks back to 12 years for truck #2, to 11 years for truck # 3 and to 12 years for truck # 4 which was the way it was in the previous Gold Plan. It was decided that if Dick Clarke feels the service life of these trucks needs to be changed he should address this with the committee.

There was a brief discussion on the eventual benefits of purchasing trucks of the same make. Currently the town owns two Freightliners and one International.

The new price expectations for the F250 pick-up truck were discussed. The proposed pricing went from 50K to 56 K. Paul Schumann had done some research and found pricing around 47K.

The committee decided that Dick will have to come up with a more detailed explanation for the proposed price expectations.

It was agreed by vote to keep the Refurbishment of Engine 2 on the spreadsheet. The most necessary items for refurbishment are Foam and the Frame. Other expenses proposed can fall under operating expenses and the committee felt these should not be covered under capital expenses on the spreadsheet. It was decided that the Frame Refurbishment, the renewal of the Foam System and the Fluid Film for a total of \$ 16,550, would be put on the Capital Expense Spreadsheet. The date for the refurbishment was set for 2020. It is expected this will extend the life of the truck by 10 to 12 years.

The future need for the Squad Truck was discussed and it was decided to keep the item on the spreadsheet for the time being, noting that the replacement time is not close and that we have some time to eventually justify replacement of this truck.

The committee agreed that the projected price increase of truck # 4 from 190K to 220K seems justified, mostly because of the increase of steel due to the recent tariffs on this commodity.

After putting in these changes the committee concluded to put the appropriation at 153K in year 1, 156K in Year 2, 159 K in year 3, 164 K in year 4 and 165 K in year 5, which is approximately a 2% increase over the next 5 years.

This update of the spreadsheet was recommended to and accepted by the select board. (Jonathan Morris) Rodney Richard will send a message of the changes to Jesse Peters, Dick Clarke and cc Melissa Henes and Jon Morris.

It was decided to meet with the Budget Committee on 32/26/2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.46 pm