

Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Minutes of the 2/4/2020 Meeting (amended)

The meeting was called to order at 6.32 pm.

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

Guest: Fire Chief Jesse Peters.

The minutes of the January 14th meeting were unanimously approved as amended.

There was a brief overview of the changes to the spreadsheet as presented by the Fire Chief.

Then Jesse presented an updated estimate from East Coast Service Center (The service provider for this work) for the eventual refurbishment of engine #2.

The estimate listed ten items that would be considered as part of the refurbishment plan.

The committee members then discussed each item with the Fire Chief in order to make the determination which of these items would actually be extending the service life of the truck rather than just be a modification update used to produce a more useful piece of equipment. Some of these items were found to be important factors in helping to extend service life of the truck where some others were found to just modify and update the truck.

In order to establish the true cost of the proposed refurbishment the committee found it important that the items to be included in the cost of refurbishment directly relate to the extension of the service life of the truck.

The total on the proposed estimate from the vendor totaled \$ 50,750.

The estimate currently on the spread sheet is \$ 16,500. After discussion it was agreed on that the items for: Removing and installing a Crosslay Cover, the installation of a Deluge Gun, the replacement of a Deck Gun Valve, the repainting of the upper half of the cab, the camera system and the upgrade of the foam system were not critical items that would be needed in order to extend the life of the truck.

The upgrade of the DOT Lighting, the emergency lights, the cleaning of the frame and its Black n black treatment were all found to be needed to extend the life of the equipment. The total of the items deemed necessary to the project was estimated to be about \$25,000.

Because this was well over the current amount that is now on the spreadsheet it was decided to just put this number on the spreadsheet without a vote so that it can be subject to discussion and eventual revision. The committee does not feel positive about the increase on the spreadsheet of this item because of the latest increases of the cost of equipment overall and the impact this is having on the size of the annual appropriation. There was also concern about the fact that the increase was partially due to suddenly finding that one item (the replacement of the foam system) was not needed for the refurbishment while now the lighting seems to be more important as related to the extension of the life of the truck.

Paul Schumann also suggested that it may make more sense to just replace the truck and forego the refurbishment. This would diminish the financial impact on the appropriation.

Jesse set the service life of the thermal imaging cameras at 10 years.

The date for the next meeting, with Road Commissioner Dick Clarke was set for Tuesday, February 11 at 6.30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7.52 pm.