

Town of Tamworth
Planning Board
*** Capital Improvement Program Committee PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES ***
September 18, 2018

The hearing was called to order at 7:00 pm by Jack Waldron.

Members Present: Jack Waldron, Chairperson, John Wheeler, Sheldon Perry, Rebecca Mason, Kathi Padgett, Susan Ticehurst, Melissa Donaldson, clerk

Members Absent: Suzanne Morgan

Jack gave a brief overview of the report.

David Little has a concern about the windows for the town house, as the Tamworth Foundation has just approved \$10,000. The grant needs to appear in 4.2 .

He is also concerned about the fire truck. The increase is not known at this time – a footnote should be added to clarify this to the public. Jack explained that they feel they will need \$80,000 additional. Zack is concerned about the appropriation being worded as “not to exceed” and that DRA should be checked with. Willie Farnum is concerned about signing contracts that exceed the appropriation.

There is also a question about the ambulance capital reserve.

Anne Chant offered to answer any questions about the library carpeting. There are none.

David Little also wants to know why the software payment is spread over 4 years. He wonders if the acquisition is being pushed out.

The hearing was closed at 7:26 pm.

Sheldon spoke appreciative words to the departments for providing their information to the CIP.

John feels that we need to add something to the fire truck, perhaps a note that at the time of writing, there are dollars in question. It should be included on page 17. Page 3 should this be included here? The numbers are still unknown, so it will be added to the list of warrants without dollar amounts. The bids on the fire truck came in over the amount that had been appropriated in 2017/18, and there may have to be an appropriation of as much as \$450,000 to purchase the truck. We are waiting for clarification from DRA and the Fire Department.

Susan – Page 3 – Warrant Article – TG8 - Town House should be added , HW 22- add Bunker Hill Bridge to description.

John – with the veto override on the biomass issue, does that mean that the taxes/valuation will be there? The Selectmen have not held a discussion about this yet.

David does not feel that their valuation is the same, regardless of whether they are paying taxes or are a pilot. There are two valuations done, one with and one without utilities.

Sheldon commended Jack for his work on this report and thanked him. John also thanked David for his work on the original plan.

A motion to approve the CIP plan with the changes and typo corrections made tonight was made by Rebecca, seconded by John. APPROVED

Kathi will take the report to the Planning Board on the 26th. Jack will take it to the Selectmen and the School Board.

Lessons learned – to discuss in April –Review the plan to see if it needs changes. Ask Department heads to do the ratings and priorities for their projects. Repair the references to previous years that need to be changed every year. The name of the report needs to be labelled as the year it starts on, not the year it is being done.

Willie Farnum thanks the CIP for their work. He feels this information is very helpful.

Anne Chant expressed appreciation for a CIP representative having attended one of their meetings.

Minutes from 9/12/18 – a motion to approve by John, seconded by Kathi. APPROVED

Adjournment – John made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 pm, Rebecca seconded. APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Donaldson
Clerk