2015 Report of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee

Created by the June 2010, Annual Town Meeting, the Capital Improvements Planning Committee (CIPC) members were appointed by the Selectboard. By definition, the Committee is charged with studying proposed projects and improvements involving major non-recurring tangible assets and projects which 1) are purchased or undertaken at intervals of not less than five years; 2) have a useful life of at least five years; and 3) cost over $10,000.

Appointed by the Selectboard were: at-large members: Ray Steele (resigned April, 2015) and Nancy Griswold; School Committee representative Sandy Brown, Selectboard representative Greg Snedeker, and Finance Committee representative Veronica “Ronnie” LaChance. Fred Chase II was appointed on May 19, 2015 to replace at-large member Ray Steele. One additional at-large member is still needed.

The Committee requested all Town Departments to submit capital requests. Based on those returned, the Committee recommends for FY16 the following:

- Purchase a single-axle dump truck with an all-season body, plow and wing plow to replace the current 1990 Ford truck
- Remediate water, humidity and mold from the basement of the Slate Memorial Library
- Construct office walls in the Town Hall for the Town Clerk and Treasurer/Tax Collector
- Repair foundation and correct wetness in basement of the Town Hall

It is expected that the following items will need to be addressed in the next five years:

**Town Hall**
- Construct office walls ($10,000 approved by 2010 Town Meeting, an additional $10,000 is recommended)
- Correct wetness in basement
- Preserve/protect Town documents

**Public Safety Complex**
- Replace/repair roof (in progress)

**Gill Elementary School**
- Upgrade water and well components (in progress)
- Acquire and install emergency generator
- Replace floor tile
- Replace roof
- Update lightning protection system

**Fire Dept.**
- Replace air packs and bottles
- Replace the 1985 emergency van
- Replace brush truck
- Replace 1979 Louis tanker truck
- Replace 1987 pumper truck
Highway
- Replace single-axle Ford Truck with a single axle dump truck with plow/wing (recommended 2015)
- Replace Kubota tractor with used backhoe
- Replace 1985 Chipper

Police Dept.
- Replace 2005 police cruiser

Cemetery
- The Town has a need to acquire additional land as our present cemeteries are running out of saleable burial plots.

On-Going Projects
- The town hall walls will hopefully be completed in FY16
- Heating system for Town Hall is slated for the Phase II of GC grant
- Safety Complex roof is slated for completion in FY16
- Riverside boiler/heat pumps hopefully installed in FY16

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee

Greg Snedeker, Chair