

2016 Report of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee

The Capital Improvements Planning Committee (CIPC) 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.

The current members of the CIPC are: at-large members: Fred Chase, Tom Hodak, and Nancy Griswold; School Committee representative Sandy Brown, Selectboard representative Greg Snedeker, and Finance Committee representative Veronica "Ronnie" LaChance.

The Committee requested all Town Departments to submit capital requests. Based on those returned, the Committee recommends for Fiscal Year 2017 the following:

- The purchase of two pumper tankers and one emergency vehicle for the Fire Department (not to be purchased all at once but over a period of ten years)
- The purchase of a used backhoe (up to \$60,000) for the Highway Department
- The purchase of a new Ford Interceptor cruiser for the Police Department to replace the 2005 Crown Victoria.

The following items from last year's CIPC report have been completed:

Town Hall – Construct office walls for Town Clerk and Tax Collector/Treasurer

Public Safety Complex – Replace membrane roof

Highway Department – Replace single axle dump truck w/ plow & wing

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

Town Hall

- Correct wetness in basement (project is funded)
- Preserve/protect Town documents

Public Safety Complex

- Re-pave driveway & rear of building

Riverside Municipal Building

- Replace roof
- Replace/repair wooden ramp and concrete steps

Slate Memorial Library

- Correct wetness/humidity in basement (in-progress, project is funded)

Gill Elementary School

- Upgrade water and well components (design in progress, installation not funded)
- Acquire and install emergency generator
- Replace floor tile
- Replace roof
- Update lightning protection system

Fire Dept.

- Replace air packs and bottles (**grant is hoped for in Fall /2016**)
- Replace the 1985 emergency van
- Replace brush truck
- Replace 1979 Louisville tanker truck
- Replace 1987 pumper truck

Highway Dept.

- Purchase used backhoe (**recommended for FY 2017**)
- Replace 1985 Chipper

Police Dept.

- Replace 2005 police cruiser (**recommended for FY 2017**)

Cemetery

- The Town has a need to acquire additional land as our present cemeteries are running out of saleable burial plots. (**Town acquisition of Riverside Cemetery would significantly address this need.**)

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of
the Capital Improvements Planning Committee

Greg Snedeker, Chair