2017 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: Fred Chase, Tom Hodak, and Nancy Griswold; School Committee representative Sandy Brown, Selectboard representative Greg Snedeker, and Finance Committee representative Veronica “Ronnie” LaChance. Nancy Griswold resigned and has been replaced by Dan Trenholm. Sandy Brown will be replaced by another School Committee representative for 2018.

The Committee requested all Town Departments to submit capital requests. Based on those returned, the Committee recommends for FY17 the following:

- Continued from 2016, 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)
- Update the electrical panels in the Gill Elementary School.
- Resurface the kitchen floor in the Gill Elementary School.
- Gill Elementary School water treatment system
- Replace the wheelchair ramp at the Riverside Municipal Building

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

**Town Hall**
- Correct wetness in basement (*in progress, expected 2017*)
- Preserve/protect Town documents (*funding requested*, but less than a “Capital” item)
- Replace boiler (Green Community grant being explored)

**Public Safety Complex**
- Re-pave driveway and rear of building

**Gill Elementary School**
- Upgrade water and well components (*in progress, expected 2017*)
- Upgrade electrical panels (*recommended for 2017*)
- Resurface (epoxy coat) kitchen floor (*recommended for 2017*)
- Replace roof (*State aid was not approved, will reapply in 2018*)
- Replace floor tiles (*recommended continued*)
- Update lightning protection system
- There are other needs that fall below the $10,000 threshold

**Riverside Municipal Building**
- Replace wheelchair ramp (*recommended for 2017*)
- Replace roof
- Repair/replace concrete steps and wooden columns
Slate Memorial Library
- Replace furnace (Green Community grant being explored)
- Insulate walls and roof/ceiling (Green Community grant being explored)

Cemeteries

Fire Department
- Replace air packs and bottles *(in progress/waiting on FEMA grant)*
- Replace 1979 Ford Louisville tanker truck *(recommendation continued)*
- Replace the 1985 emergency van
- Replace brush truck
- Replace 1987 pumper truck

Highway Department
- Replace 1985 Chipper

Police Department
- Replace 2008 police cruiser

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of
the Capital Improvements Planning Committee

Greg Snedeker, Chair