

Capital Planning and Investment Committee Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2015 8:15 am

Members present: Debbie Ricci, Alan Frazer, Keith Cheveralls, Ken Swanton, Pat Wenger, Lorraine Leonard

Guest: SusanMary Redinger

Meeting called to order at 8:19 am by Debbie Ricci

Debbie noted that SusanMary Redinger will be the School Committee liaison for CPIC as Pat Wenger is finishing her term as of April 7, 2015.

Tour of the Firehouse with Chief Sicard and committee

Chief Sicard took the committee on a tour of the firehouse and explained the purposes of all the trucks and where the new proposed ladder truck would come in to service.

The committee returned to Town Hall to have further discussion on this matter. Fleet masters, the current owner did not have a place to store the truck until they found a buyer. They offered the truck to us for \$1/month to store and use it (pending approval from the town) until they find a buyer.

Ladder truck is primarily used for chimney fires, which do not require water, and rescues.

Keith Cheveralls asked how the priority of this truck came to this scenario as the ladder truck had been moved out to 2022 on the capital plan.

Chief Sicard explained that he felt this was a good opportunity to train his crew on the proper way to use this truck before actually purchasing one.

We discovered that the new Pumper Truck cannot carry as long a ladder (35') as Engine #2 being replaced. Chief Sicard was trying to keep trucks within a reasonable budget. To get a 35' ladder attached to the new truck would be significantly more expensive.

This would be a "low use" vehicle. It goes out on few calls so will theoretically last for a longer time than other trucks.

Cost of a new ladder truck would be \$800,000 to \$1,000,000.

No major safety standards are not met with this 35 year old truck.

The cost consists of a purchase price of \$18,000 and additional work and items needed for about \$4,600, but there is a \$5,000 grant which makes the final amount approximately \$18,000.

BOS would purchase the truck using Rantoul Trust funds.

Chief Sicard will bring more information forward and CPIC will continue to discuss this at the next meeting and send their recommendations to Finance Committee and BOS.

Next meeting:

April 16th 4:00 pm

Plan to discuss Town Center Sewer, Review and update policy and procedure. This needs to be completed before the end of June so future meetings will need to be scheduled.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am

Moved by Keith Cheveralls Seconded by Alan Frazer

All in favor

Respectfully submitted

Patricia Wenger