

Town of Franconia
Capital Improvement Planning Advisory Board
5 December 2022 • Time: 1530 • Town Hall

Present: Kim Cowles, Danielle Dawson, Dan Walker, Steve Plant, Jan Cole, Monica LaFlamme, Larry Plate

Others: Jeremy Hall

Regrets: None

Absent: Trevor Presby, Peter Grote

I. Call to Order / Opening Remarks

A. The meeting was called to order at 1532.

II. Approval of the Minutes from 7 November 2022

Motion: To approve the minutes of 11/7/2022 as amended.

Motion By: J. Cole

Seconded By: M. Laflamme

Carried

III. Additions to the Agenda - None

IV. Approval of the Agenda - Approved as circulated

V. Highway Department - Jeremy Hall

A. The Highway Department Head, Jeremy Hall, attended the CIP meeting to provide an update on the 10-wheeler quote and status on the New Holland Tractor:

1. The International dealer shared that they have sold out for next year. A Western Star quote was received estimating ~\$150k for the cab chassis & \$96k for the plow and body. The truck is a 2024 and to be received in 2023. The benefit of Western Star is that they are based in Lancaster and can be serviced/warranted there. International is seeing issues throughout their supply chain including tire shortages.

Jeremy's recommendation was to proceed with the Western Star based on reputation in the industry.

2. The tractor has 1,089 hours on it and the high-risk repairs have already been addressed. There are no anticipated future errors. If it is taken out of rotation for winter (reduced exposure to salt and weather), this would increase the life of the tractor. Trade in was estimated for 23k.

Jeremy's recommendation is to keep the New Holland tractor if we were to go with a second piece of equipment for sidewalk plowing. It still has useful life to the town in this case. If the choice is to get a mower and not a sidewalk plow, he would recommend we upgrade the tractor.

3. Lafayette Bridge quotes have been received to repair a hole in the I-beam. Jeremy identified a provider who is certified in several states, including NH, who has offered competitive pricing. M.A. Bean Associates uses preformed as opposed to pouring concrete.

Wells Road Bridge has an application for state funding to supplement. There is a possibility to allocate remaining American Rescue Plan Act funds to bridge infrastructure. Decision will fall to the Selectboard.

- B. No motions made during this session
- C. No follow-up required
- D. Task: No actions

VI. Review Draft of Department Spreadsheet

- A. Many prices have been updated to reflect current industry value. Steve Plant noted concern about total price delta and discussed the potential mix of funds to address the strategic CIP funding while minimizing tax impact. The budget hearing is scheduled for 13 Feb 2023.
- B. If a motion was made put the information in here
- C. If further information is needed agree on who is to do the follow up and put their name and a timeline that this information will be completed
- D. Actions:
 1. Identify priority of equipment decisions (**8 DEC 2022**) - *J. Cole, S. Plant*

VII. Adjournment

- A. The meeting was called to adjourn at 1714.

VIII. Next Meeting - 19 December 2022

Danielle Dawson - 5 December 2022