

Minutes of the of the 2014 C.I.P. Public Hearing

January 7, 2014

Committee Members Present: Bob Montagna, Carl Schaeffer, Mogens Jessen, Brian Williams, Bernardette Costa

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Bob introduced two major changes from the 2013 C.I.P. plan: the immediate replacement of the F250 highway truck which adds an unanticipated increase of \$20,000 and the addition of \$20,000/year to the sidewalk fund. He explained that the Highway Department and the Buildings and Grounds Department have worked together to develop a plan to refurbish the town's sidewalks over a five year period of time. The total anticipated cost for this is \$100,000.

Bob also noted that a new bailer was needed at the Transfer Station and that this was also unanticipated.

The Chief of Police inquired whether the sidewalk section targeted by the Safe Routes to School Grant is included in this plan.

Bob replied that it is not included.

John LaChappelle asked whether the Rural Water Supply was included in the C.I.P. last year.

The answer to that question was affirmative but that no money was put away last year, only in the 2014 column.

Mogens discussed the Roads Plan.

Ted Hoyle asked if the Roads Plan existed before last year.

Mogens answered that it did. He also explained that Scott did more roads this year than anticipated and that he should revisit the number of roads that are able to be fixed per square foot budgeted for, in order to plan a more realistic amount.

Mogens explained that there was no actual maintenance plan to work with until 2013. He also noted that Scott recommended using the same cost/foot for two years and then revisit the amount.

Bob added that once the roads are repaired the hope is that the maintenance costs will come down.

On a different item, Bob explained that the Water Project was listed as a capitol project but that it was not subject to the C.I.P. process.

Brian mentioned that in the future, bridge maintenance will be budgeted for in the C.I.P. plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm

Respectfully submitted,

Bernardette Costa