

**TOWN OF FRANCONIA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2020 AT TOWN HALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Foss, Jeff Blodgett, Steve Plant, Trevor Presby

OTHERS PRESENT: Kim Cowles, Paul Schmucker, Corey Rush

The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

Buildings & Grounds, Corey Rush

2018 New Holland Tractor: The tractor has developed some rust due to salt exposure during plowing through the past two winters. There are currently 556 hours on the tractor and Corey anticipates the useful life to be 8 years. Trevor recommended checking on what it would trade for after 4 years and maybe trading it then so as not to lose trade in value.

2012 Wright 61" Mower: This mower is expected to be replaced in 2022. Corey would like to keep this mower though and trade in the Gravelly towards a new mower at that time.

2015 Ford 350: This truck is scheduled to be replaced in 2023. There are currently 35,000 miles on it and it has had no major problems.

Safety Services Building: Corey said the parking lot at the Safety Service Building is in need of being seal coated.

Town Hall: The heating system is in need of replacing at town hall. The parking lot needs to be paved but we will wait until a plan is determined for the warming hut/welcome center. There are other issues at town hall with the basement but an evaluation and estimate has not been sought yet.

Maintenance Garage: Karen said the electricity at the garage has increased this past year and there was a brief discussion about the possible reasons. Corey said he will check around the shop to see if he can determine what may be causing the increase.

Library: Corey has not yet gathered information on replacement of the slate roof that will need to be done in several years. The library did uninstall their pellet stove and replace it with a propane system.

Life Squad, Chief Paul Schmucker:

The Committee briefly reviewed Life Squad financials before discussing equipment.

Paul said the ambulance and Stryker Cot are doing well with low maintenance costs last year. There are no scheduled equipment replacements this year and no major issues with any of the Life Squad's assets.

Chairman Foss said as mentioned in prior years, that it may be a good idea for some of the Life Squad's

surplus to go into their Capital Reserve funding. Kim said she will check with the Dept. of Revenue Administration for more information.

The committee chatted with Paul about how the year has been and changes in calls due to the pandemic for a short time before adjourning at 4:59pm on unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Monahan
Administrative Secretary