

**TOWN OF FRANCONIA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN MEETING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AT TOWN HALL**

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Jenny Monahan, Kim Cowles

The meeting was called to order at 4:04pm.

Kim Cowles – Recreation Department – 2011 Ford E350 Van: A CIP has not yet been established for the van, but after consideration the committee decided that it would be a good idea to create one. The van currently has 89,059 miles on it. Kim said there is a line item for van maintenance and repair in the Recreation budget for each of the tri-towns. A replacement for a new van would be approximately \$40,000 new or \$25,000 for a suitable used van to be paid by the three towns respectively. Kim will discuss the van with the other tri-towns.

Skating Rink: The skating rink is due for resurfacing this year but Kim would like to hold off until 2021 pending the building of a new warming hut/welcome center.

Dow Field Playground: Kim said this fund is used to replace playground equipment and mulch. The wooden airplane was removed last year and has not been replaced. There are no scheduled purchases this year.

Trevor said he would like the committee to focus on a plan for town building's this year. Kim said she would provide any assistance she can. Corey Rush did a buildings inventory spreadsheet last year and will update it for this year.

Next, there was a brief discussion about the Fire Department fleet and the 2004 Kenworth that has been having a lot of issues.

Kim said she attended an online webinar by NHMA and it suggested the idea of having a contingency CRF for vehicle and equipment repairs. This would mean that only vehicle and equipment maintenance would be on operating budgets and all repair costs would come from the contingency fund. The committee discussed the pros and cons of the idea but made no decision.

Trevor commented that he would like to see the town make a plan regarding town hall in order to determine whether it is worth investing in or if it's instead time to plan for a new building. He said the town is growing too and the idea of accommodating more residents in the town's facilities in the future should be a consideration. The Master Plan as it relates to the town's buildings was briefly discussed.

The September 9th minutes were reviewed and approved as amended.

The committee will meet again next Wednesday at 4:00 PM.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Monahan
Administrative Secretary

