

CIP Committee
Draft Minutes
Thursday, July 2, 2015
6:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm in the Fire Station Meeting Room

Present: Steve Felton, Susan MacLeod, David Toth; Absent: Ingrid Heidenreich

Meeting to reschedule follow-ups with the departments that were to come on June 10 and 16.

July 15: Town Administration, Library and Police Department

July 30: Fire Department, Water & Sewer, and Parks & Recreation (with information from DES meeting)

August 12 and 19: work on updating the spreadsheet numbers and formulating recommendations to present in September to Board of Selectmen

Dave has been working on a new format to simplify reading the spreadsheet. For the PD, FD and DPW all equipment is listed with costs; next is a table that allocates the costs over time, then a table to show the financing options. For DPW, the roads are separated out for the different financing required, with calculation for inflation to be included. The interest rates for bonds have not yet been updated. Steve is continuing to work with Tim on getting the numbers needed for both the CIP and Ashland Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC) plans for roads and sidewalks ("complete streets").

Discussion on Thompson Street for W&S: sewer lines need to be engineered, so the thinking is that it would be more cost effective to get a loan and do the entire road. Based on short section of Riverside costing \$75,000 without engineering, and pipe only on Thompson from River St to Smith Hill Rd estimated at \$200,000, packaging the projects with an engineering study to get a loan will have to go to the voters. Contacting engineering firms such as Nobis and MRI to get better estimates is the next step. It was also mentioned that with all future work, the lines should run alongside not in the roadways. To redo Winona Road, W&S is looking for grants, mostly from DES with loan forgiveness. W&S has recently applied for a matching grant that will cover more than a third of the cost of the receiving station project. The Commissioners checked out a different receiving system in Allenstown that would cost significantly less to build and maintain.

Dave will send out reminders to departments with new dates.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 15, 2015, 6:30 pm at the Fire Station

7:13 pm: Motion to adjourn, all in favor.