



Town of Millville Capital Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes September 17, 2019

Present:
Peter Caruso (TA), Erica Blake (BOS), Ken Tubman (Fincom), Chris Drew (Planning), Jennifer Gill, David Dunne, Joshua Poznanski

Also Present:

Chief Landry (Public Safety) and Brian Mullaly (Highway)

Pledge of Allegiance

Updates from assigned responsibilities:

Blake – Info on Previous Capital Planning Committee

- Checked and didn't find much info from previous Capital Plan Committee (2015)
- Found list of needs created by department heads in 2017 (Handed out for review)
- Also found Capital Request Forms (Handed out for review)

Blake- MES Boiler

- Questions regarding current water problems and its effects on the boiler
- Need more info from School District
- Would like to see feasibility study done on existing boiler (not done with previous study)
- Caruso- Per Asst S.I., 18K of the 50K appropriated for study has been spent to date**
- Great opportunity to secure %60 of cost from MSBA (Mass School Building Authority)

Tubman- MES Water

- Recommends feasibility study (Maybe along with Boiler study??)

-Caruso- Congressman McGovern at MES Sept 30 with EPA and Worcester DEP

Gill- Regional School Agreement

- Every town MUST maintain a building for education

-Caruso- Regional \$ pays for grounds maintenance but not building maintenance

Dunne- Old Town Hall

- Built in 1830, large amounts of mold throughout, walls separating with structural compromise
- Recommends selling to a developer
- Gary Fernandez of Woonsocket (River Falls) interested in Old Town hall and Police station to convert to 18 unit condos.

- Question posed (Poznanski) as to get appraisal and send to open market?
- Possible town owned location for new Town Hall
- Land behind Valley Disposal

-Potential Hazardous Site

-Would need easement on Central St for access

- Caruso- Lease at current TH to fully expire May 2026(current owners already want out)
- Question posed (Dunne) If deal went through with TH and Police station should we look into using Library as PD?

-Current budget for Library is 11K for building maintenance

Drew- Highway Department

-Central St Project in full force

-Review of Chapter 90 Projects

-Fisher St Road Repairs

-12k spent in truck repairs

-Front end loader

Poznanski- Public Safety

- Presented info on the need for a new ambulance

-Current Ambulance

- 2010 AEV on E450 Chassis

-Mileage 51,500

-Idle Hours 2299 x 60 = 137,940 converted mileage

-Total Mileage 189,176

-Recommends the purchase of a new ambulance

- OEMS (Office of Emergency Medical Services) want 911 ambulances replaced 10 yrs

-270 Day build process on new ambulance bringing us over 10 yr

-Recommends purchase of power cot/loader (Prevent back injury)

Tubman- Finance Committee Liaison

-Finance committee interested in our opinion on warrant articles

Highway Department:

- Brian Mullaly-** posed question as to why the capital committee is looking into road repairs?
- Caruso- explained that the bylaw states any expenditure over 10K
- Gill- Read the bylaw
- Resubmitted same 3yr plan as he submitted in 2017 (nothing new or removed)

Brian Mullaly- Status of current vehicles

- 2007 F-350 Dump with 73k miles (Mechanical issues but would like to keep for busy times)
- 2012 F-550 Dump with 45k miles (Minor mechanical issues would remain with new purchase)

Proposed Replacement/Add:

- Need something with more GVW due to workload showing to be too much on current vehicles
- Proposed F-650 with 26k GVW @ approx \$100k
- With purchase could reduce the amount of Private Contractor work

Other Needs:

- Loader/Backhoe- Looking used at approx \$75k
- Roadside Mower that can also be used to clear sidewalks in winter
- Building- Currently no real building
- Operates out of a Salt shed and multiple shipping containers
- Approx cost of \$850k
- 5 bridges deteriorating along the west side

Blake-Does Chapter 90 funding cover bridges?

Mullaly- yes but only set to receive \$109k for 2020

- Mullaly to look into numbers/invoices from previous yrs but lost most in Town Hall closing

Fire Department:

- Chief Landry-** waiting on results of AFG (Assistance to Firefighter Grant) for power cot/loader
- Looking into lease options for new Ambulance
- Public Safety Stabilization- Roughly \$45k each yr from ambulance receipts to fund purchases of public safety equipment. Approx \$245k currently available.
- Building built in 1970 and is in need of overhaul
- HVAC, electrical, restrooms and more
- Grant received in 2011 to replace expired gear which holds 10 yr shelf life. Current gear will expire in 2021. Will try for another grant but might need as capital.
- Forestry truck- 1996 F350 with lots of rust

Police Department:

- Chief Landry-** Built in 1950, Block construction with mold issues
- HVAC broken- 3 quotes, best \$30,400
- Replaced a door that rotted off the frame
- Garage doors falling
- Generator died

Vehicle Status:

401 Sedan- 2012 with 98K
402 Sedan- 2014 with 70K
403 SUV- 2018 with 20K
405 SUV- 2017 with 63K
Admin Sedan- 2014 with 98K

- Chief Landry proposed the purchasing of 2 vehicles as his previous replacement with denied
- Maintenance costs on 401 are adding up
- Blake-recommended putting 1 on November warrant
- Chief Landry**- recommended rolling lease into operating budget yearly
- New Handguns
- Will need new Tasers next year- 7 @ \$1500 each

Caruso- \$30,400 Reserve Fund Transfer coming from Stabilization to fund Police HVAC

-Air Quality concern

Chief Landry- Senior Center is the towns EOC (Emergency Operations Center) funded by MEMA
-Need Generator @ approx \$17K

Next Meeting set for September 24, 2019 at 19:00 hrs

Motion to adjourn made by Drew, second by Poznanski, no further discussion, PASSED unanimously