



# Town of Mendon

## Capital Planning Committee

Mendon Town Hall  
20 Main St.  
Mendon, MA 01756

### Members

Matthew O'Brien  
Henry Marshall  
Christopher Burke  
Norman Round  
Jay Byer

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### Capital Planning Committee Meeting – November 26, 2019

**Members present:** Jay Byer, Henry Marshall, and Matthew O'Brien

**Others present:** Dan Byer

1. Meeting called to order at 7:20 pm by Jay Byer
2. Motion to approve minutes from November 17, 2019 at 7:21 pm by Henry Marshall seconded by Matthew O'Brien and approved unanimously
3. Review and discuss capital requests by the Water Commission:
  - Enterprise fund does not have enough money to pay for anything that were to break
  - Old infrastructure (age of water mains 1947)
  - Any expenditure in enterprise fund has to approved at town meeting
  - Will probably see bill from Hopedale go up
  - Water commission will update long range plan from 2017
  - Requests over \$25,000 include:
    - Possible water storage tank 500,000 gallons (\$250,000)
    - Secondary connection to water system (\$100,000 estimate)
    - Possibly developing own water supply (form a subcommittee to check feasibility)
      - Company did study in 2003 in Mendon for water resources that says no surface water is viable but gravel wells are viable down providence road
      - \$30 million at most
  - Items discussed under \$25,000:
    - Meter replacement in 15 years
    - Hopedale said that master meters need to be replaced (\$5,000 - \$10,000), Mendon has to pay per contract
    - Shutoff valves
    - Inventorying valves and hydrants
    - Possible repairs
    - Well with pipes to senior center
    - Possible well pump replacement in Senior Center and Taft library
    - Possible manganese In water would require spending to correct issue
4. Review and discuss capital requests by the Parks Department:
  - Parks department says they will attempt to self-fund what they can
  - Capital requests over \$25,000:
    - Permanent facility for parks department/ maintenance
      - Right now working from shell of building next to fire station



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- Would like program space as well
  - Facility would ideally be in park 30x60 modular building (\$166,000) with plumbing probably (\$175,000 - \$200,000)
  - Possibility of renting
  - \$400,000 - \$500,000 to finish "shell" next to Fire Station
  - Suggestion of taking over Senior Center and moving Senior Center next to Fire Station after finishing the "shell"
  - Small utility tractor with loader and bucket (\$22,000 by itself but for \$30,000 you can get an enclosed cab and snow blower attachment)
    - might be able to pay from revolving account
    - Suggestion that parks could get this machine and be responsible for sidewalks
    - Might be able to share equipment (and funding) with highway department as this is similar to their request
  - Paving parking lot at park (currently \$3,000 for new gravel every 3-5 years)
    - Paving would probably be around \$100,000 or \$34k for asphalt millings
  - Lights on memorial and veterans fields (\$200,000 each)
  - Possibility of dog park (\$100,000)
  - Drainage project for park lot (\$50,000)
  - Other items discussed under \$25,000:
    - Repairs to lights around basketball and tennis courts (budget is \$10,000 – so far spent \$3,700 from revolving account)
    - Drainage at beach (storm water problems)
    - Repairs to classrooms
    - Shed for camp (\$10,000)
    - Snack shack (\$5,000 for plumbing and sink)
      - Replace roof (\$6,000)
    - Landscape trailer (\$5,000)
    - Landscaping of beach (\$20,000 project)
    - Renovation of beach houses
    - Cameras at park (\$6,500)
      - Supposed to be 7 cameras now but there are only 2 (would like it to be 30)
    - Shipping container (\$5,000)
    - Tetreault field irrigation (\$20,000)
    - Outdoor AED cases (\$1,200)
5. Other matters not anticipated
- For next meeting:
    - Policy for requesting capital needs still being looked at



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- List of capital needs still being compiled
  - Should be ready to start discussing recommendations next meeting
  - Update committee's website
  - Scheduling of next meetings:
    - 1/21/20 - 7:15 pm
    - 2/11/20 - 7:15 pm
    - 2/25/20 - 7:15 pm
6. Community Comments – None
7. Motion to adjourn at 8:43 pm by Matthew O'Brien, seconded by Henry Marshall and approved unanimously