

Town of Mendon

Capital Planning Committee

Mendon Town Hall 20 Main St. Mendon, MA 01756

Members

Matthew O'Brien Norman Round Jay Byer Henry Marshall

Capital Planning Committee Meeting – March 28, 2019, 6:30 pm.

Members Present – Matt O'Brien, Henry Marshall, Norman Round, Jay Byer

Others – Alan Tetreault, Mendon Highway Surveyor, Ken O'Brien

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:45 by Chairman Matt O'Brien
- 2. Motion to approve the minutes of March 21 by Henry, second by Norm, passed unanimously.
- 3. Review and discuss Highway Capital Needs: Alan Tetreault discussed highway needs, provided a list (attached). Current Heavy-Duty Truck with plow most likely will not pass inspection, due to exterior rust. Alan has been asking for a Sidewalk Trackless with snowblower and flail brush and mower for over twenty years, and the need still exists. They also need a back-hoe excavator. None of these are on the FY2020 Annual Town Meeting so the discussion was for future needs assessment.

Motion to recommend the purchase of the Ambulance for the Fire Department by Henry, seconded by Jay, passed unanimously. Matt will write a letter to be reviewed by the committee at the next meeting.

- 4. Any items not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting None.
- 5. Next meeting will be on April 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Matt will post.
- 6. Motion to adjourn at 7:30 by Norm, second by Jay, passed unanimously.

FY20 Departmental Budget Request Form

Capital Requests Over \$25K

Department: Highway Department

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Highway Department

<u>Item</u>

Cost

\$184,075.00

2020 International HV607 Heavy Duty Truck w/Plow

Explanation

Replacement for our failing 1993 International 2554 (T21).

Ongoing Operational Costs

The body of the truck is rusting terribly and it will not pass inspection.

Additional Benefits

New, more dependable, less maintenance.

Item

Cost

\$173,825.00

Sidewalk Trackless w/Snowblower, V-Plow and Flail Brush Mower

Explanation

The sidewalk machine we are currently using is 23 years old and breaks down every time we use it. The flail mower is a 1988 (30 years old) and is becoming unreliable. IT'S TIME.

Ongoing Operational Costs

A/C isn't working, the motor leaks oil, all hoses are going to have to be replaced (dry rot), tires and the flail is totally worn out. Again, IT's TIME.

Additonal Benefits

We will be able to work more efficiently.

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Item Cost

\$66,300.00

2019 Deere 50G Excavator

Explanation

It would save time and be less of a hindrance on traffic. It has more maneuverability and would be extremely beneficial in the cleaning of drainage swales and outflows. There would also be a significant cost savings by not having to rent or pay a contractor to do our work. This is another tool which would help the Highway Department do the job more expediently. For the record, Mendon is the only town in the area that doesn't have its' own.

Ongoing Operational Costs

Route maintenance.

Additional Benefits

Incredible time and cost savings.