

**Capital Improvement Committee
Lena Morton Gallery
Moved to Meeting Room 1**

Minutes
February 23, 2010 6 pm

Members present: Paul Biron, Frank Treglia, Marie Galbraith

Others present: Librarian Debra Radosevich and Recreation Director Marty Eagan

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Old Business: None.

Minutes: Motion to waive reading of last meeting minutes made and seconded, motion passed unanimously.

New Business: A motion was made to add the Recreation Department to the agenda, motion passed unanimously.

Library: Town Librarian Debra Radosevich discussed two submissions. The first is HVAC units on roof need to be replaced they have outlived their useful life. She stated that she spent \$5,000 last year on repairs to each unit just to keep them operating. She has one bid to replace them from EMCOR for about \$48,000. Committee discussed getting two more bids, suggesting two local mechanical service companies. Committee also thought that the energy savings alone on new units would offset cost to replace.

She also discussed needing a new phone system to replace the current 1970's vintage phones being used. She said she has been able to purchase some replacement equipment on eBay but it is getting harder to find.

Recreation: Marty discussed submissions currently on the list. First, the Tennis Courts behind Center School. The Recreation Dept. has repaired the cracks each hoping to get more use. Last year a Parent support committee was able to raise funds and with money from the Town (\$2500) they spent \$9800 to fix cracks and cut tree roots under the court. Hopefully, this repair will last a few years.

Second, he talked about the basketball court at Nystrom's needs to be completely demolished by DPW.

Third, the weed issue at Nystrom's Pond. Neighbor complaints about weeds and weed encroachment into public swimming area are a problem. A study revealed several possible causes including fertilizer leaching from neighborhood, and adjoining property septic system leaching into lake. There are several solutions... all expensive. The recommended solution is chemical treatment in three one year phases at a cost of about \$21,000. Marty understands that this is obviously a low priority in these tough economic times.

Fourth: He removed the new mower request because it does not meet CIP minimum request threshold.

Fifth: He also removed the Playground Equipment request because it did not meet threshold.

CIP members discussed with Recreation Director the \$10,000 minimum capital request for departments such as Recreation and Library that have smaller budgets (\$100,000) and possibly reducing that figure for these departments

Selectmen's: CIP members reviewed and discussed SEL requests but deferred detailed discussion until next week, when Finance Director could more fully elaborate on them.

Next meeting March 2, 2010 at 6:00 PM in Meeting Room 1.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.
Recording of Minutes by Paul Biron
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