

CAPITAL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF STONEHAM
35 CENTRAL STREET
STONEHAM, MA 02180

MINUTES – JANUARY 10, 2017

Present: T. Barry, Chair; M. Christie, D. Manchester, L. Olson, D. Piatt, T. Waitkevitch, A. Wilson, T. Younger

T. Barry called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Nicole Langley and two library trustees presented the Library requests:

- \$100,000 for foundation study and repairs. The Committee discussed separating the study and repairs into two fiscal years;
- Separate requests for painting and carpet replacement, which should be deferred until after the foundation repairs;
- Replacement computers for staff and patron use. Nicole explained the contract with the library network for technology repair and maintenance.

Les Olson presented the idea, which has been approved by the School Committee in light of the MSBA's rejection of our fourth Statement of Interest, of moving ahead with a facility assessment / feasibility study so that the Town has a firm estimate of renovation costs and the option of new construction costs for a comparable facility. The Committee discussed various components of this proposal including scope, timing and cost. The Committee also reviewed the School Department's proposals concerning playgrounds, fields, Robin Hood sprinkler and technology.

Don Piatt reviewed the requests from the golf course supervisor:

- \$585,000 for irrigation system replacement plus consideration of another \$150,000 for a retention pond;
- Bunker and tee box repair / replacement;
- Annual tree maintenance, through the DPW will be asked if it can perform this function.

2016 revenues were approximately \$160,000 over budget. The Town will consider if this revenue stream can fund the needed repairs.

Anthony Wilson raised the issue of the need to clarify with the Board of Selectmen and the Town that some of the requests we are considering have policy implications for the appropriate board. The Committee discussed revising the request process to ensure that boards are aware of the requests before they are submitted by the department heads.

Don Piatt clarified that funds available in May could be restricted to items to be bonded, fund transfers from previously completed projects, and payment from Capital Stabilization of the 2014 BAN.

The next meeting will be January 17 at 4 pm. (Warrant Article and Report). The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.