

WILBRAHAM CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MAIN FIRE STATION
MARCH 12, 2009
7:00PM

Present: Marc Ducey, Mike Mazzuca, John Strandberg, Bob Boilard
Absent: Bob Quintin
Also present: Ron Rauscher

Library

The committee met with Library Director Christine Bergquist and Library Trustee Jim Jurgens to discuss the Library's requests for capital projects in FY2010. Christine asked the committee if she could include the railings for the new mezzanine in the \$54,000 that was approved for the mezzanine project. Members approved the request to include railings in the bid.

The bid will go out in a couple of weeks and construction will be completed by fall.

Christine said the windows have been replaced in the Main section of the Library with funds that were allocated in FY2008 and FY2009. She is requesting funds to complete the window project in the Brooks Room and the upper dormer. The windows are the Library's first priority.

Christine distributed the designs for the Library's first floor plan that was created by Tappan Architects.

Fire Dept.

Chief Nothe and Captain Dave Bourcier were present to discuss capital items. Chief Nothe said there are no more re-modeling projects at this time.

He discussed the vehicle replacements for the Fire Dept. He made a request for the 8 year old Rescue Boat to be replaced in FY2010 rather than FY2013. It is an inflatable boat and has a lot of problems. They would prefer to buy an aluminum boat for \$20,000 that will last 30 years.

Chief Nothe discussed the department's request for a combined ladder and engine truck. He showed a picture of the combined ladder/engine truck and explained the advantages of having a vehicle like this one. This vehicle is currently in the capital plan for FY2011 for \$700,000. There was some discussion with regards to moving the vehicle out one more year to FY2012. This will be discussed at a future Capital Planning meeting.

The members went for a tour of the Fire Department garage to view the equipment and trucks.

When they re-convened, Tom Sullivan explained to the committee that they should be very cautious when scheduling future debt for the town. Due to the uncertain economic times, he suggested they hold off on scheduling any vehicles but to go ahead with remodeling projects.

Bob Quintin will be contacted to schedule the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Nancy Johnson
Assistant Town Accountant