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Minutes 11/29/2012

Capital Planning Committee
 Meeting Minutes
 November 29, 2012

In attendance were:

Steve Andrew
 Andrew Flanagan
 Charles Foskett
 Paul Olsen
 Brian Rehrig*
 Diane Johnson
 Ruth Lewis*
 Anthony Lionetta
 Barbara Thornton

* Denotes those not in attendance

- Meeting Opened: Meeting was opened and minutes of the November 15th meeting were reviewed. Changes include deleting the word "denied" under School Request after Lab and Gym items. Also make edits to "postpone" >> add d (under Schools) and "as" >> add h under Police.
- School Department Requests: Barbara Thornton continued the subcommittee's report on School Department requests. Barbara presented a table of recommendations, which was reviewed line by line in great detail. Subsequently, initial votes were taken on each recommendation. These votes are preliminary only subject to the finalization of the Capital Plan and Budget.
 - Under Equipment: All recommendations were approved by majority votes. Relative to Item 4, the yes vote was limited to only \$3,500 in FY14 for sound equipment.
 - Under Infrastructure: The majority vote was to remove most of the High School items from the Plan until the High School Plan is completed. The exceptions were Items 11 (rooftop units) & 13 (ventilation units), which were approved as recommended. Also approved was Item 14 (exterior paving at Brackett). Item 15 (gym floor refinishing) was denied. The majority vote was in the affirmative for Stratton (Item 16). Also, a motion was made to provide up to \$15k for the development of a facility plan for the school.
 - Under Major Repairs: The majority vote was to remove most of the High School items from the Plan until the High School Plan is completed. The exceptions are Item 17 (windows), Item 18 (asbestos tile), Item 19 (boiler building F) and Item 24 (door replacements), which were approved by majority vote. It was noted that options for the kind of boiler were evaluated and found not to be worth the investment. This request will stay at \$225,000.
 - PhotoCopier Program: The majority vote was in the affirmative for the recommended \$160k/yr.

- Under Student Transportation and Vehicle Replacement: The vote for all was affirmative.

- The Stratton Story: The CPC requested that a report be prepared summarizing 1) what has been spent to date (around \$3.3 million) and what was accomplished; 2) what is intended to be accomplished with the currently proposed five year plan (table prepared by Barbara Thornton) and what the “state” of the school will be with these investments and; 3) finally what else needs to be done and at what cost. This kind of presentation is needed to better understand where we are going, as well as to present to Town Meeting. Based on the discussion at the meeting, the following is generally understood:

- The main classrooms/areas have been updated.
- The next round of funding is to upgrade the kindergarten wing.
- The remaining items for the longer term would be the kitchen and the gyms.

The CPC requested that professional assistance be retained to review what work is required.

- Park Requests: Andrew Flanagan presented a written motion on the Subcommittee’s recommendations for the reallocation of unused Park balances to new requests. The CPC voted in the affirmative.
- Review Draft Capital Plan: An initial vote was taken on the Fire Department requests >> all requests were approved subject to finalization of the plan.
- Next meeting: The next meeting has been RESCHEDULED from December 13 to December 19, 2012. ALSO START TIME WILL BE 4:00 INSTEAD OF 5:00

Adjournment