

WEYMOUTH PLANNING BOARD
McCulloch Building, Mary McElroy Meeting Room
182 Green Street, Weymouth, MA 02191
Tuesday, December 2, 2014
Record of Minutes and Proceedings

PRESENT:

Walter Flynn, Chairman
Sandra Williams, Vice Chairman
Mary Akoury, Clerk
B.D. Nayak
Dave Chandler

ALSO PRESENT:

James Clarke, Director Planning & Development
Abigail McCabe, Principal Planner
Christine Malloy, Recording Secretary

Chairman Flynn called the December 2, 2014 meeting of the Planning Board to order at 7:00 PM.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) REVIEW REQUESTS

Weymouth Fire Department

Keith Stark, Fire Chief, was present to review the capital requests.

#32 Vehicle Replacement 1997 Ford Expedition (C-3) Chief Stark stated this vehicle has already been purchased and can be taken off of the CIP list.

PROPOSED BUILDING, GROUNDS & EQUIPMENT

#3 Police & Fire regional training facility at Southfield; Chief Stark stated Southfield said they would give the Town of Weymouth land for a fire station.

#4 Reconfigure Fire Alarm and Office Area (10 year old study) Study from 2004 nothing has been changed or improved since study was done in 2004. Chief Stark would improve dispatch, move dispatch to a secure area.

#5 Chief Stark stated his goal is to open up Station #2. Kitchen and rec room were remodeled in 2010, living space has asbestos and needs renovation before it can open. Fire Station #1 does 1,700 runs; Station #3 does 3,500 runs and Station #5 does 1,900 runs per year. Ms. Akoury asked what needs to be completed to open Station #2. Chief Stark stated bedrooms, bathrooms, roof is leaking, and stairwell is leaking, new flooring and apparatus bay. This line item is approximately \$100,000 to fix the building. Stations #3 & #5 are set up for female accommodations.

#6 Replace Station #1 in North Weymouth; this building is sinking into the ground. A study was done and it recommends a full study to be done to see if the building needs to be replaced.

Mr. Chandler asked why pay for a study when we know the building is old and not compliant with the town's needs. Mr. Clarke stated the study is done to be thorough and get the facts. The building was built in 1936 and remodeled in 1974.

#7 Replace Station #1 Generator; current generator is gasoline run. A new generator would be modern and run on natural gas.

#8 HVAC for Stations #3 & #5; these stations were built in 2000 the HVAC was not installed properly and need to install properly so that the return air is of proper air quality.

VEHICLES

#5 Replace 1986 Mack Engine; request \$650,000 for a new Mack.

#6 Replace 1999 E-One HP75 (Ladder #5) 75 foot quint

#7 Replace 1997 Ford Expedition (C-5), C-5 got from Fallon and it has 262,000 miles on it, now called C-9; replace with SUV or pick-up.

#10 C-11 Staff Position Vehicle, Fire Inspector training position need vehicle

#11 ENG-1, Engine in FY18, maintenance is a big issue on this engine, Fire Department works well with DPW.

Chief Stark stated a new item on the CIP is bunker gear, 100 sets at a cost of \$350,000. There are 92 fire fighters in the Town of Weymouth each set of gear is custom fit to each fire fighter. If a person left the town they would take their gear with them.

Weymouth Police Department

Chief Richard Grimes and Captain Joseph Comperchio were present to review the requested capital items.

IN PROCESS

#8 HVAC, this project is on hold right now.

#21 Radio Console, this project was finished in spring of 2014; funded through 911 monies.

#33 Prisoner Transport Van; this vehicle was replaced this year and has separate seating compartments for transporting women, men and juveniles all at the same time.

PROPOSED BUILDING, GROUNDS AND EQUIPMENT

#31 Police Station design/construction front entry parking & pedestrian; redesign of front entry area and replace roof of building added sidewalk parking on Winter Street, reset curb back and picked up 13 parking spaces in front of the building.

#32 Card access system and security cameras; card access system is working out very well. Exterior cameras are being built out; will set up cameras at booking area with audio visual as well.

#33 Exterior Windows; still a CIP item at a large expense. Seals have deteriorated, cracked or broken.

#34 Command Center Storm Shutters; this room is used as alternative for emergency command center with LEPC incident command center. The room is equipped with phone lines, laptops, connections to Fire Department, DPW, National Grid, Police Department, South Shore Hospital, etc. FEMA monies were utilized for this room and FEMA suggested to further equip the room for better protection in the event of a real emergency with storm shutters.

#35 Cell Block Audio/Video Monitoring System; some of this work has been done.

#36 Panic Alarm Notification Systems; internal safety item for booking area.

#37 Gun Lockers in booking area; need to be upgraded.

#38 Re-surface parking lot.

#39 Electronic Controlled Weapons; tasers; Chief Grimes stated he has been doing a lot of research into tasers and effect is immediate. The shock attacks the nerve system. Tasers come equipped with software in the weapon with statistics such as when the weapon was used and who it was used on, etc. Tasers cost approximately \$1,400 each.

#40 Body Cameras; this is a hot topic. Body Cameras will capture audio and visual; it would become a public records issue, freedom of speech. All information would need to be given up to anyone that requested the information. Chief Grimes is currently not sure how he is going to decide on this item.

#41 Firearms Upgrade; replace due to age.

#42 DNA Evidence Storage Refrigerators.

#43 Prisoner Property Storage Lockers

#44 Speed Limited/Sign Board Trailer

#45 Portable Battery Replacement; for portable radios. Chief Grimes suggested purchase of 20 new radios to replace retired radios give to retired officers.

#47 Police Cruiser Computers; not cost effective to repair; looking to replace with keyboard/computer and can use as a tablet. Plan to lease for three years. iPads useful with detectives; not a complete loss.

#48 Training Room Expansion; room is too small for training because it only seats 33. Would like room to seat at least 50 people.

REQUESTED VEHICLES

#12 Police Cruiser Replacement - 7 Vehicles; WPD purchases 7 vehicles per year to sustain the fleet. This year the Tahoe has a new police package with 4-wheel drive vehicle which raised price on the base vehicle.

#13 Motorcycles; 4 replacement motorcycles at \$20,000 each.

#14 Critical Incident Response Vehicle

#15 Community Outreach Van; this is a new request

Mr. Clarke stated some of these above listed items do not make the minimum for Capital Improvement Plan and will need to be deleted from the CIP.

MINUTES

Mr. Chandler made a MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of November 18, 2014. Ms. Williams SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Ms. Akoury abstained as she was absent from meeting.

Chairman Flynn stated he will hold the other two sets of meeting minutes that should be continued until the next meeting because they still need to be finalized.

ZONING ARTICLE

Chairman Flynn informed the Board that on January 20, 2015 there will be a joint meeting with the Town Council for a public hearing on the zoning amendment measure submitted by a property owner. Mr. Clarke asked the Board members if they had any specific items they want from staff. The Board requested the following information:

- What uses are allowed
- Special permits
- Will explain what proposed amendment does
- Will explain how road would be impacted
- Will this change the number of office parking spaces for buildings in Weymouth; for example at Libbey Industrial Parkway?

NEXT AGENDA

Ms. McCabe updated the Board that we received a grant as a Mass In Motion Community to look at regulations to create healthy living and how it relates to zoning and parking and the Board will be updated as this progress further.

Mr. Nayak stated he would like to add comments for the zoning amendment criteria; before get to window need to be 10-12 parking spaces. Mr. Clarke stated queuing will be evaluated at the time of the special permit review and the public hearing on the zoning amendment.

NEXT MEETING

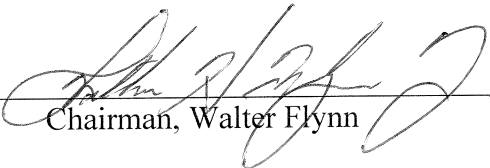
The next meeting of the Planning Board is scheduled for January 6, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:15PM, there being no further business, a MOTION was made by Mr. Chandler to ADJOURN and was SECONDED by Ms. Akoury. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Malloy
Recording Secretary

Approved by: 

Chairman, Walter Flynn

Dated: 