



**TOWN OF NORTON**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**

Date: March 5, 2014    Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: First Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall, 70 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766

Members Present: Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Valerie Desmond, Michael Thomas, and Michael D. Yunits

Members Not Present: George Burgess

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2014, meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Desmond, and it was voted 3-1 to approve the minutes (Mr. Thomas abstained).

**Highway Department**

Keith Silver, Highway Superintendent

Mr. Silver explained the need for the Gasboy fuel system upgrade. The current system is gone, and all that can be done to keep it working has been done. Mr. Kimball stated that with the cost of gas today, the Town needs to keep good records with a credible system. The proposal will include all software and hardware to upgrade the system. Mr. Silver informed the Committee that he is concerned about DEP coming to view the Town's records, adding that another good feature of the system is that all departments will be able to see what they are using for gas. The discussion continued with Mr. Silver's proposal to convert the sweeper by taking the body off and turning it into a hook lift. The Town will get nothing for the sweeper if it sold, but at a cost of \$35,000.00, the sweeper can be converted to a hydraulic lift and body.

Mr. Silver summarized ongoing capital obligations:

Sweeper: \$48,833.63 (2<sup>nd</sup> of 5 payments)  
Peterbuilt Dump Truck: \$32,647.01 (4<sup>th</sup> of 5 payments)  
Front-End Loader: \$28,036.10 (last payment)

Mr. Silver is also requesting \$10,000 to replace cemetery equipment.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Silver if the Highway Department can help the schools with crack sealing of the parking lots.

### **Norton Public Schools**

Barry S. Nectow, Director of Operations and Finance

Mr. Nectow began by saying that he would love to have Highway's assistance, adding that crack filling is needed at the Yelle School and for parking area out front. Mr. Nectow proceeded by outlining the needs of the Norton Public Schools in order of priority:

1. Middle School Roof: Sadly, the roof has issues. The leaks have caused carpeting issues, and the carpet needs to be removed. A \$100,000.00 article has been submitted for the feasibility study, and the estimate is \$3,000,000.00. All surfaces and all elevations are to be done. It is pricey because the roof is not flat. Replacing the carpet with tile is a \$500,000.00 job.
2. Network Components: This request is to replace older components in the District system. They will pull out switches and servers and replace them.
3. Paving of Stone Dust Area by Bleachers: When the track and bleachers were built, there was a stone dust area by the bleachers. The stone dust is ruining the track. Mr. Kimball suggested that Mr. Nectow check with the Highway Superintendent to see if the Highway Department can do that work as well. Was on out year but School Committee moved it up.
4. District Safety and Security Upgrades: Replace doors and locks over a five-year period beginning in FY15.
5. L. G. Nourse Parking Area: Grade and pave parking areas.
6. Vehicle Replacement: Replace Special Education mini bus.
7. H.A. Yelle Parking Lot: Fill cracks and resurface.
8. L. G. Nourse Window Replacement: Replace leaking, energy inefficient windows with new windows.
9. J. C. Solmonese Outlets: Add additional electrical outlets. Some work is being done by the R.E.A.D.S. Collaborative on its dime.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Nectow about the roof: If this is done, can you have solar panels on it? Mr. Nectow will look into it. The concern will be the roof warranty.

**List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:**


N/A

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kimball and seconded by Mr. Thomas. It was voted 4-0 to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

  
Chairman

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Minutes Approved by Committee on: \_\_\_\_\_, 2014