

EXPANDED DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY
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MINUTES

CITY OF NASHUA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE
January 11, 2021

6:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Scott LeClair, Chair of the Planning Board and Capital Improvement Committee, via Zoom at 6:00PM, and terms of the virtual meeting were reviewed by the Chair. Mr. LeClair explained the Committee's procedures, stating that the Committee is operating under the Governor's Executive Order via Zoom and explained how public access is available by telephone/Zoom and how to contact City staff in the event that connection is not possible.

Introduction of Members Present: (Roll Call)

Scott LeClair
David Fredette
Charlie Budris
Larry Szetela
Matt Sullivan
Bob Canaway
John Griffin

Staff: Marcia Wilkins
Christine Webber

Excused: Alderman Tencza, Alderman Jan Schmidt (Alt)

Approval of Minutes

Kickoff Meeting Minutes of 10/26/20

Motion to approve the minutes as presented by David Fredette, seconded by Charlie Budris. All members voted in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Presentations

Airport Authority- Chris Lynch and Farrell Woods

A 2021 project received a grant for 100% funding from a CARES ACT grant for the Taxiway and Aprons Rehabilitation Phase 2. The design-only portion of Taxiway Alpha has been modified to a replacement and not a relocation project by the FAA. All other requests remain the

same as proposed on 6 year plan. The plan is subject to changes from the FAA on a yearly basis, based on priority ranking changes.

Communications Division – Bill Mansfield, Radio Systems Manager

The sole project is the replacement of all public safety radios for the Police and Fire communications. Motorola will no longer repair some of the units that the Departments currently have. At the end of 2021, Motorola will not repair any of the existing radios. Approximately 400 radios need to be replaced. Other radios will not be replaced, but distributed to none public safety entities. Project cost is for the radios, safety software, and interconnection work to allow for community-to-community communication.

Nashua Fire Rescue – Assistant Chief Steve Buxton

Priority 1 - Updating Fire Alarm Technology Systems and expanded infrastructure to the Amherst St Corridor. This includes upgrades to Station Alerting System. The timing of the addition of this fiber optic cable would be coordinated with other efforts and the same vendor would do this installation and Gamewell systems.

Priority 2 - Amherst St Fire Station, 125 years old. Housing upgrades are in need such as a kitchen renovation and more efficient use of the space.

Priority 3 - Conant Road Fire Station Roof Replacement. Issues have been existing for years, have been patching roof with small amounts of deferred maintenance money. A full roof replacement is necessary.

New Fire Station – A new station master is expected to be released shortly that builds upon 1986 and 200 plans. The Department will secure current cost estimates before presenting the project to the CIC again.

Chief Buxton thanked the Committee for their support of the Deferred Maintenance program that has helped and maintained the stations throughout the City. Mr. Fredette said that the Lake Street Fire Station has been very well kept up.

Police Department - Lt. Carlos Camacho, Services Bureau Supervisor

Priority 1 - Security Fencing with Security Camera system upgrades. Safety is paramount in the Police Department. Current fencing is in disrepair and there is no secure gate system. There should be a remote gate access, and camera systems.

Priority 2 - Locker Rooms. These were installed in 1979. The current lockers need to be replaced as 37 out of service at this time.

Priority 3 – Parking Lot Repaving. Pot holes and deterioration of asphalt needs to be addressed. Lavalle Brensinger Architects performed a space needs assessment last year and developed a plan to construct an addition and renovation to the Police Station. It is a phased project as the Station cannot be relocated or closed during the construction.

Mr. Fredette commented he didn't understand why the pavement could not get done with existing paving monies. Lt Camacho said they contacted the contractor for the City regarding the cost to pave the parking lot.

Mr. Canaway thank Lt. Camacho for presenting the projects as the Committee has seen these projects several times in prior years. He hopes that the City can address these safety concerns as soon as possible.

Department of Public Works

Solid Waste – Jeff Lefleur, Phase 3 Construction and Design for DES Permit is the first priority. The second priority is Phase 4 Permitting completion to start that process. With this the City will gain 40 years of air space. The recycling Area is very old and is in need of repairs.

Parks & Rec – Lisa Fauteux, The first priority is Holman Stadium improvements including roofing, paving and other projects; the second priority is Greeley Park including fencing, paving, gate house roof and stone work. The third is Citywide Park improvements with a focus on St. Andrews Park specifically.

Mr. Fredette asked about the Soccer Fields at Mine Falls and if the revenue from the Cell Tower at Mines Falls was the funding source for this field renovation project. Ms. Fauteux responded, indicating that tower revenues would be part of the funding source.

Engineering- Dan Hudson, The top three priorities are: 1. Annual Street Paving Program, currently in the 5th year of a 10 year program 2. Taylor Falls Bridge deck rehabilitation, jointly owned with Hudson NH. 3. West Hollis St. corridor improvements, pedestrian safety, traffic calming concerns.

Street Department – Jon Ibarra, 1 Infrastructure, 2. Overhead doors at the Street Department Building. 3, Traffic communications and upgrades. Mr. Fredette asked if the overhead doors are a safety issue, is a new building being planned for the Street Department. Ms. Fauteux stated that there are plans to build the new Facility Building, but a new garage building is several years beyond that. However, the overhead doors must be addressed now.

Waste Water, David Boucher, 1. Phosphorus removal; 2. Infrastructure Improvements (Sewer System); 3. Capacity Management OM- assessment program to repair sewer infrastructure.

Other Business

Mr. Canaway, inquired as to how voting and ranking will be done via Zoom. Mr. Sullivan said that staff will be prepared and that a scoring spreadsheet will be distributed in advance of the next meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by David Fredette at 7:18 PM. Seconded by Larry Szetela, All members voted in favor, the motion passed unanimously.