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**MINUTES
TOWN OF BELMONT
CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING JOINTLY WITH
THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Principal's Conference Room, Belmont High School
Wednesday, May 2, 2018
5:30 PM**

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Capital Budget Committee (CBC) was called to order at 5:57 p.m. by Chair Mahoney.

Members Present: Chair Anne Marie Mahoney, M. Patricia Brusch, Mark Paolillo (BOS), Jenny Fallon (WC), Stephen Pinkerton (PB), and Rebecca Vose

Absent: Susan Burgess-Cox (SC)

This was a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen to present the CBC's FY19 capital budget recommendations to the BOS.

Chair Mahoney began by highlighting the projects the CBC was unable to fund with the amount of the FY19 capital allocation. These include replacement of the DPW's underground fuel tanks, a new fire pumper for the Fire Department, which is kicked down to road to FY20, and all phased projects, including building envelope work.

What the CBC is funding includes several large maintenance projects for Chenery to keep that building in good shape and work on the DPW building that will coincide with the project to address the entire building.

Chair Mahoney encouraged the BOS to increase funding of the capital budget. The amount allocated for capital projects continues to be inadequate to meet the Town's needs. Members of the BOS discussed adopting various policies to increase the Town's capital allocation including one that requires a specified percentage of the operating budget be spent on capital projects and another that establishes a funding floor for capital expenditures.

Ms. Fallon spoke in favor of creating a "separate bucket" of funding for technology expenses. Many tech items have only a five-year useful life, which does not fit the CBC's definition of a capital project.

Ms. Brusch and Chair Mahoney both reminded the BOS that the capital budget of the Town does not increase 2 ½% annually.

At the conclusion of the presentation at 6:08, Chair Mahoney adjourned the CBC Meeting so that

members could relocate to the Belmont High School Guidance Office and resume meeting.

Chair Mahoney called the readjournal CBC Meeting to order at 6:10.

Absent: Susan Burgess-Cox (SC), Mark Paolillo (BOS)

Chair Mahoney began by explaining that the CBC would be voting on Town Meeting Articles the Committee had not previously voted.

Article 14. Appropriation from Landfill Stabilization Fund.

Mrs. Brusch moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 16. Enterprise Funds for Water and Sewer and Stormwater Services.

Mrs. Brusch moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 17. MWRA Appropriation Phase III.

Ms. Fallon moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 21. Authorization for Up-Front Funds for Chapter 90 Highway Improvements.

Mrs. Brusch moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 22. Appropriation for Capital Expenditures.

Mrs. Brusch moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

Article 23. Department of Public Works and Police Capital Appropriation.

Mrs. Brusch moved: Approval of this article
The motion passed unanimously.

The CBC moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Vose, Secretary