

Minutes for Sept. 23rd, 2021, Long-Term Capital Planning Committee

Meeting started at 08:00 via video conferencing.

Present

Anne Marie Mahoney – Capital Budget Committee member
Chris Doyle – Warrant Committee member. Outgoing chair of LTCPC
Claus Becker – Energy Committee member
Elizabeth Dionne – Community Preservation
Jenny Fallon – Capital Budget Committee member
Jon Marshall – liaison to town of Belmont
Melinda Huang – Town Meeting member
Mike Crowley – School Committee member
Roy Epstein – Select Board member
Phil Thayer – Observer

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DATE: February 22, 2022
TIME: 9:36 AM

Absent

Floyd Carman – Town Treasurer

Summary of Discussion

- 1) Election of officers
Chris Doyle was unanimously elected as Chair of Long-Term Capital
Claus Becker was unanimously elected as Secretary
- 2) Minutes
Town officials are conducting a review of completeness of submissions across committees.
Some minutes submitted by this committee have not been posted making a review of this committee's compliance difficult
- 3) By-law proposal
Massachusetts is currently slow to approve town bylaws. Committee discussed consequences of not having town meetings this autumn on implementation of new capital planning process.
Chris Doyle to propose process for discussing proposal with Select Board, certain committees (capital budget, warrant committee, ...) to finalize proposal. We will reach out to town meeting members to socialize proposal ahead of spring town meeting.
- 4) Next steps
Elizabeth Dionne brought up the importance of aligning CPC funds to plans and to take future needs in concern. E.g., funding a single item in a town park without a comprehensive plan for the park may be sub-optimal use of resources. Optimizing return on town investment is why this committee developed a proposal for prioritizing investment. There was agreement that Melinda and Claus would re-present proposal for prioritization to bring new committee members up to speed.
Jon Marshall gave an update on the asset inventory. Progress over summer has been limited. Jon Marshall explained that readying the new high school prevented the town from making progress

on inventory. The committee agreed to engage of Glen and Jay Marcotte to decide what should be included in the first pass. Agreement that this will be a long-term project.

Next meeting Wednesday October 27th at 08:00.

Meeting adjourned at 09:00 by unanimous consent.