

Town of Belmont
Capital Budget Committee
Chenery Community Room
Wednesday Evening, January 31, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

The Capital Budget Committee met in joint session with the Board of Selectman, the Warrant Committee and the School Committee the evening of Wednesday, January 31, 2007, in the Chenery Community Room, as part of the "Blueprint for Belmont" project. Paul D. Solomon, as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, presided over the joint meeting. Dr. Solomon called the joint meeting to order and invited the other chairmen present to call their committees to order. Thereupon, at 7:05 p.m., Mrs. Brusch called the Capital Budget Committee to order. John Bowe, M. Patricia Brusch, Mark F. Clark, Jennifer M. Fallon, and Angelo Firenze of this Committee were present at the meeting. Various members of other committees were also present. Also present were Barbara Hagg, Town Accountant and staff liaison to the Capital Budget Committee; Thomas G. Younger, Town Administrator; and Jeffrey Conti, Assistant Town Administrator.

Dr. Solomon outlined the purpose of the meeting and called on various subcommittees that had been previously established. Chairmen or members of various subcommittees reported, some distributing written materials, concerning such topics as health insurance, regionalization/shared services, outsourcing, new sources of revenue, energy saving, systems and processes, waste management, core functions, and consolidation of School Department and other Town Department functions.

Principal discussions centered around a presentation concerning health insurance funding which was made by the Town's consultant from Cook & Company, Inc., and a presentation concerning outsourcing from the subcommittee concerning that subject. For a more detailed report on the discussions by the "Blueprint group" and further actions to be undertaken concerning health insurance funding and outsourcing, see the minutes of the Board of Selectmen.

At the conclusion of the main business of the meeting and following informal discussion of dates, Dr. Solomon set a date for the next joint meeting concerning the "Blueprint": Wednesday evening, March 21, 2007. The Board of Selectmen also agreed on a date for the next meeting of the Capital Planning Group, formerly known as the "megagroup": Monday evening, March 19, 2007. This Committee is invited to participate in that meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark F. Clark