

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

## Capital Outlay Committee - Meeting Minutes 1/18/23

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Remote meeting via Zoom

Present:

- Capital Outlay Committee: Eric Valentine (Chair), Kevin Flaherty, Jason Price, Mike Donovan, Davalene Cooper
- Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Michelle Monsegur
- IT: Bill Hartigan, IT Director
- Bare Cove Park: Claudia Eaton
- GAR Hall: Art Robert ATA/Operations, Scott McMillan
- Town Hall Representatives: Michelle Monsegur, Jeff Pizzi, Town Hall Facilities Manager, Horatio Hemmings, Town Hall Building Specialist

### **19:33 - Call to order**

Mr. Valentine called the meeting to order at 7:30pm EST, and read the below statement:

This meeting is being offered remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2022 and all other applicable laws temporarily amending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.

### **FY2024 Hingham Public School Department Requests**

#### ***Information Technology***

Mr. Hartigan shared the upcoming need related to technology. Server upgrades are needed, due to software license expiration.

Due to cost increase, requests for phone system upgrades are being pushed out to future years. Operating budget being impacted with escalated prices.

Phone estimate decreased \$100k to \$200k due to updated information. Funded network switches just arrived earlier this month due to supply chain issues, and amount of capital was sufficient to purchase.

With the upgrade was able to provide town internet to GAR as well.

### ***Bare Cove Park***

Ms. Eaton reiterated a prior year request related to Building 80, which is one of a few left in the park. Used by DPW & Scouts for storage, although frequency of use was unknown at the time of the meeting.

The building requires a new roof and prolonged discussion on materials (asphalt v steel). There are federal constraints on what we can do with the building as it has to be recreation focused. Current estimate of \$360K should be accurate to remedy the situation.

Electrical request as well as the park trustees are working to make a focal point at dockhouse museum near the central park of the park - need water and power.

Idea is that this would be a central area to gather - crew team uses this area to practice and host regattas. Ongoing work to develop multi-stage plan to build out park and be a model for the town of Hingham.

### ***GAR***

Mr. McMillan shared the ongoing need for repairs to the historically significant GAR hall. One of six in MA built after Civil War. Windows, trim, exterior need repairs. Due to historic categorization synthetic materials are not option.

### ***Town Hall***

Updated on current FY23 spending and ongoing replacement of key systems related to safety (fire escapes, automatic doors @ HPD, etc.), as well as key systems.

Elevator has been acting up and parts are no longer available - causing a key access challenge for many residents at town hall.

There is ongoing evaluation of current spending / deferral of projects on future possible changes at town hall with HPD moving to new Public Safety Bldg, Senior Center changes, etc.

Heat pumps continue to be replaced and repaired to ensure the conforms & safety of those working & visiting at town hall. Previously funded fire alarm replacements are complete.

### **Approval of Minutes**

There were no minutes from previous meetings presented.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 20:39.

List of documents distributed as part of the meeting:

- Bare Cove Park FY24 CoC request.xlsx
- GAR Hall FY24 CoC request.xlsx

- IT FY24 CoC request.xlsx
- Town Hall FY24 CoC request.xlsx