

**TOWN OF MADISON**

**SUBJECT TO APPROVAL**

**CONNECTICUT**

**06443-2563**

**MEETING DATE:**

Thursday January 9, 2020

**MEETING PLACE:**

Town Campus Hammonasset Room

**Capital Improvement Program Committee**

Members Present: Judith Hession-Friedman (BOF) Chair, Justin Murphy (BOF), Erin Duques (BOS), Scott Murphy (BOS), Kirk Barneby (BOE), Katie Stein (BOE), Paul Kessinger (Resident), Joan Walker (Resident)

Other Present: Stacy Nobitz (Director of Finance), Chris Bernier (Director MEMS), Sam Deburra (Director of Emergency Services), Captain Greg Carroll

**Chairwoman Comments**

No chairwoman comments

**Committee Review of 2021-2025 CIP**

- **Ambulance Fund**
  - Mr. Bernier reviewed the projects within this plan. He would like to increase the Ambulance 804 re-chassis by \$25,000 based on a more recent quote he has received. Ms. Friedman asked what is done with the ambulance that is being replaced. Mr. Bernier said the latest ambulance is going to our facilities department, we have donated to other communities in need and we have also sold them. Ms. Friedman asked how the vendor is chosen. Mr. Bernier said we would go out to bid or for the last purchase we utilized the Sourcewell purchasing consortium which was approved by the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Bernier spoke about the operational need for the Oxygen Refill Station. Would be able to provide re-fill for the Fire Services. Guilford and Clinton have oxygen re-fill stations. Spend approximately \$9,500 per year for third party re-fill needs. The cylinder returns in a week or so. Life span of fill station 25-30 years. Mr. Bernier will get an updated quote for this equipment.

- **Madison Hose Co. No 1 Truck Replacement Fund**

- Chief Kytte reviewed the projects within this plan.
  - 2005 Ford F350 - 231 Pickup Replacement
    - The Committee asked questions regarding the use and needs of the replacement of the 2005 F350. This vehicle is used for many different activities; first on scene, safety at a scene, transporting equipment/people. The vehicle is getting older and maintenance costs are increasing.
  - Purchase UTV & Trailer
    - Chief Kytte also discussed the need for the UTV and trailer to aid in accessing difficult to reach areas.
  - 2003 Fire Boat (R-2) Replacement (18ft)
    - Chief Kytte discussed the boat is used to officially cover Hammonasset Jetty to Circle Beach. It is used to do searches, support Coast Guard search and rescue efforts. The department also gives backup to Clinton and Guilford. The replacement may not be brand new, may be something from the Coast Guard. The department will review after this upcoming season what is available and will work best for the Town.
  - 2016 Tahoe Replacement
    - Chief Kytte stated this is scheduled on the normal replacement schedule
  - 2005 Pumper Replacement
    - Chief Kytte stated this is scheduled on the normal replacement schedule

Ms. Walker asked if the funding level is adequate in year 10. Ms. Nobitz stated that the future funding can always be re-visited. Mr. Kessinger also asked how the running fund balances are determined. Ms. Nobitz said the after reviewing each fund with each department head, the Committee will look at each fund along with the debt service and discuss what works within the capital funding regulation.

- **Madison Hose Co. No. 1 Hose & Equipment Fund**

- Ms. Nobitz said this fund is used for small pieces of equipment. The Fire department must follow the same procurement policies as the Town.

- **CNRE – Madison Hose Building Addition**

- Chief Kytte reviewed the need for more space. They have outgrown their building. Population has grown; highway has more traffic, as does the waterfront. Expansion includes 2 full garage bays. Mr. Kessinger asked if downtown is the best location for the firehouse. Chief Kytte said it is

centrally located to be able to respond to events and central for volunteers to be able to get to the firehouse in a timely manner. Ms. Friedman asked if there will be other sources of fundraising to help offset the cost of the building. Chief Kyttle and other firehouse members have stated that fundraising has been difficult and time consuming for the volunteers. They are asking for help in making the renovation a reality.

- **North Madison Vol Fire Department Truck Replacement Fund**
  - Apparatus replacement program is on schedule and the requested funding is appropriate.
  
- **North Madison Vol Fire Department Hose & Equipment Fund**
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### **Citizens Comments**

No citizen comments.

Adjourned