

# Capital Budget Committee January 4, 2021

Minutes

Approved 4-0 3-22-2021

CBC Members Present: Wakeman, Dick, Dormitzer, Franklin, Host, Lyons  
School: Patrick Sullivan, Lisa Radden, Susan Owen, Ellen Maher (School Committee)  
Others: Nick Bernardi (Facilities) and Michelle Leary (Procurement & Contracts Mgr)

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Mr. Wakeman opened the meeting at 1900 with the above quorum present.

**Schools: Co-Presented by Patrick Sullivan, Lisa Radden, Susan Owen and Ellen Maher**  
A PowerPoint presentation detailing (16) Capital Budget items totaling \$2,734,000 was shared with the CBC.

Item	2021/2022
Deer Hill Roof Top Air Handlers	\$250,000
Middle/High Gym Roof Top Air Handlers	\$500,000
Asphalt Road from Pond Street needs to be resurfaced	\$80,000
Replace Sidewalk and curbing CMHS	\$210,000
Bus Lease	\$90,000
Pilot Program Classroom Technology	\$64,000
Replace aging Chromebooks (540 – 3 year lease)	\$52,000
Building Security FOBs for remaining doors at schools	\$40,000
Replace flooring and cove base in gym entryway 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor (CHS)	\$60,000
High School Track Replacement	\$495,000
High School Turf Replacement	\$500,000
Bus Parking Lot – create permanent bus parking for school buses	\$200,000
Replace Fire/Sprinkler Heads at Osgood	\$75,000
Plumbing at HS Science room (196)	\$80,000
Dust Collection System in Woodshop needs replacement	\$38,000
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$2,734,000</b>

Each item was discussed in detail (some highlights below):

- Lisa Radden described the Pilot Program for Classroom Technology that includes 8 Pilot Classrooms that would include AV and Interactive Displays and Furniture Environments. The schools will remain committed to Google Classroom and the Pilot Classroom technologies will be compatible with the Google Classroom Platform.
- The 3-year lease of (540) chrome books is at term (finance lease - chrome books are now owned by the school). Desire to enter into a lease for replacements. CBC questioned if we needed (540) new chrome books or are some of the units on the prior lease still operable.

- Air Handlers on the Deer Hill Roof are 22 years old, inefficient and need frequent repairs.
- Air Handler on High School roof over the gym are rotted and interior leaks allow water to penetrate the roof into the gym space. This situation has persisted for a number of years.
- The fire /sprinkler heads at Osgood are 20 years old and have been recalled.
- The dust collection system in the wood shop has not functioned properly in years. The interior dust extractor and exterior dust collection unit need to be replaced. The interior ductwork does not need to be replaced.
- A classroom in the high school is being used as a science lab but is improperly outfitted for that purpose. Upgrades are needed to plumbing and connection to the chemical disposal systems. This particular classroom is best located to the chemical disposal system so is the best candidate for upgrade.
- The schools desire to continue to resurface asphalt and replace sidewalks and curbing. Cracking has occurred around a drain that bisects the asphalt road from Pond Street. Questions were raised regarding whether repairing the drain issue would improve the roadway without having to completely repave. It was also noted that this roadway repair should be considered in the context of the Towns Road Maintenance Plan. As for sidewalks, some parties felt that the curbing was in rough shape but the sidewalks were not.
- The final payment for the 3-year bus lease is \$141,491, of which \$51,491 will be paid from the Schools operating budget leaving a capital request for \$90,000. CBC asked the schools to research busing alternatives like Highland Electric Transportation recently selected by Beverly Public Schools.
- High School Turf and Track is 13 years old (estimated average life is 10-12 years). CPC can fund the track at \$495,000 however they cannot fund the turf. G-Max Impact Testing is being preformed.
- The town and schools are evaluating potential areas for parking of school buses.

There being no further business we voted to adjourn at 21:28PM

Respectfully submitted

Susan Franklin