

Lempster Planning Board
Draft Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 13, 2021
At Lempster Town Office

Members present: Mark Adams, Bill Rodeschin, Kirt Wirkkala, David Richards, Everett Thurber (ex-officio)

Select Board present: Mary Grenier, Robin Cantara (Administrative Assistant)

Others Present: Phil Tirrell

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

Review of draft minutes

Minutes of the November 8, 2021 meeting were accepted

Old Business

Continuation of the CIP schedule:

Phil Tirrell spoke as Emergency Management Director. After discussion with Fire Chief Jon Thomas, there is a grant application being submitted for replacement of all mobile radios and 1 portable radio for the Fire Department. This grant is a 10% match with grant funds not exceeding \$50,000.00. The application was for total project cost of \$53,000.00 with match funds to be taken from CIP 004 Communication and Power Generation Equipment. Discussion was held about whether radio replacement was going to be a revolving schedule and needed to be included in the budget. Technology advancement and regulation changes are driving factors in radio life cycle and replacement schedule is not easily predictable. After discussion, it was determined that this year the project cost for radio replacement will not be added to the CIP. The communication CIP will be reviewed during the year and proceed with a plan for next year. The communication plan will also consider the radio system for the Highway Department.

Mr. Tirrell also informed the board that the School is working on grant money for a generator as the emergency shelter and the town office building would be the next town building to be considered for a generator.

Bill Rodeschin spoke as the representative of CIP 030 Town Hall/Meeting House Restoration. The quote for finishing the first floor and stage area is \$8,575.00 and was the final expenditure for the restoration project. Selectman Grenier and Administrative Assistant Cantara were calculating the remaining funds in the CIP for this project. With contingency calculated in, there should be sufficient funds to finish the project. Selectman Grenier guaranteed that if no money was added to CIP 030, that any shortfall would be covered by operating budget. Kirt Wirkkala spoke about the need for repair or replacement of the electrical service for the meeting house due to water intrusion and corrosion. This money would be taken from CIP 018 Town Building Repair and is not part of restoration. CIP 030 will have no money added this year.

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Chairman Adams read a letter from Nation Flood Insurance Program and it was determined that ordinances would be required to be eligible to enroll in this program. The previous attempt at such ordinances was defeated.

David Richards presented a letter to be sent to Eric Pollari regarding the property on Route 10 and his need to finish the permitting process. The letter was edited and signed by Chairman Adams to be sent certified mail.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Richards, Secretary