

## CIP Final MINUTES

**DATE:**           **October 27, 2014**

**PRESENT:**       **Connie Kieley, Gail Cromwell, Tedd Petro, Gary Scholl, Mary Beth Ayvazian**

**MEETING COMMENCED AT 7:05 P.M.**

### **AGENDA**

#### *MINUTES – 10/06/2014*

G. Cromwell motioned to approve the minutes as is; T. Petro provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion unanimously passed.

#### *REVIEW OF RECREATION DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS*

**Following our last meeting, Road Agent Tim Fiske met with the Select Board on October 14 to review the baseball field problems at Temple Elementary. The field has drainage problems making it unplayable in some spring/early summers. He estimated that it was not feasible to relocate the backstop from there to the town field, that it would cost him 2 days and at least \$2000 to move it. Joe Cournoyer is investigating the cost of a new backstop for the town field. Tim also suggested that he keep mowing the school field despite its limited use. The cost of doing so is not significant. The select board accepted his recommendation.**

#### *FIRE DEPARTMENT*

Mark Salisbury and Will Wildes presented the Fire Department's requirements for the 2015 budget. The jaws of life are on the department's priority list and cost approximately \$27,000. C. Kieley requested a formal quote from 3 dealers to compare and contrast.

G. Cromwell asked if the Department would keep the existing jaws of life equipment even if a new set was purchased, W. Wildes responded that yes, the old set would be used however it is more cumbersome and requires additional maintenance because it utilizes a gas engine whereas the new set would run on a more compact battery which eliminates the need for heavy maintenance. M. Salisbury relayed that the existing set was refurbished in 2011 because it was not working properly, and that the existing set is unreliable.

G. Cromwell asked if the Department needs battery-powered, light-weight units as there are typically no buildings or industry that would require these facets. Both W. Wildes and M. Salisbury indicated that in cases of bad accidents, firefighters and rescue teams need portable, light-weight units in order to quickly and effectively extricate people.

G. Cromwell asked how many people need to be trained on the jaws of life. M. Salisbury responded that all members of the department are trained on these sets (15 to 20 people).

G. Cromwell, referring to the money **raised by the** by the Fire Department **501(c)3**, asked if the department could utilize any of it to help purchase the jaws of life. W. Wildes said that the money saved cannot be used to purchase basic equipment such as the jaws of life which are considered basic equipment. Instead they would use such funds to purchase equipment that would be nice to have but not considered basic or necessary.

C. Kieley asked if the members of the Fire Department will request a grant to fund the jaws of life. W. Wildes responded that the Department has not had much luck in obtaining grant money as the priority for such funds goes to towns with greater needs and older equipment. M. Salisbury countered that Temple's needs are great as Temple has a 20 year-old jaws unit. C. Kieley suggested that the Fire Department write another grant requesting funds for this purchase and others in the town might lend a hand if the Fire Department needed help.

The Fire Department typically uses an equipment manufacturer called Hurst. G. Scholl asked if the Fire Department used any competitors to Hurst. M. Salisbury indicated that the Department would request quotes from 3 different dealers/providers of the needed equipment.

M. Salisbury also noted that the 2012-2013 CIP budget is missing a Freightliner tanker. (On page 17 of Addendum #1 item referred to is wrong.) C. Kieley said that the CIP would correct that error and omission.

T. Petro asked if the Temple Fire Department is typically the first to respond to an emergency in temple. M. Salisbury answered in the affirmative that temple FD is usually the first to respond to a Temple emergency.

In referring to the figures in the Fire Department budget, M. Salisbury indicated that the Fire Department does not typically spend \$5000 per year in safety gear if there are no new members to outfit. C. Kieley suggested that perhaps carrying \$69,000 until 2020 is not needed. G. Scholl added that it seems that the only reason the large figure is an issue is because the Fire Department purchased all needed equipment at the same time because it received grant funds. C. Kieley motioned that we cut the \$69,000 budget figure (on the CIP spreadsheet) in half to \$34,500. G. Scholl provided a 2<sup>nd</sup> and it passed unanimously.

G. Scholl suggested that the CIP make a field trip to the Fire Department to get a better understanding of the equipment and terminology used by the Fire Department. All agreed that it would be a worthwhile field trip. C. Kieley committed to emailing to the CIP members a date and time for the field trip.

#### *NEXT MEETING*

November 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex

Police Department will be presenting requirements.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. (Motion by G. Cromwell and 2<sup>nd</sup> provided by G. Scholl)

Minutes submitted by: MB Ayvazian on November 2, 2014