



Town of Oak Bluffs Capital Program Committee

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Deborah Potter, Town Accountant, ex officio
Robert Whritenour, Town Administrator, ex officio

Capital Program Committee Meeting - Minutes

November 2, 2020 at 10:30am via zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://oakbluffs.zoom.us/j/98515093316?pwd=THlpODNsZ1pUOWZrM0ZMSlArMUFGUT09>

Meeting ID: 985 1509 3316

Passcode: 221557

Committee Members in Attendance: Ewell Hopkins, Bo Fehl, Greg Thornton, Maura McGroarty, John Newsom, William Vrooman

Others in Attendance: Robert Whritenour, Town Administrator; Deborah Potter, Town Accountant; Marc Drainville and Anastasia Rudenko, engineers GHD; Patrick Hickey, Wastewater facilities manager; Elizabeth Durkee, Conservation Agent; Charles Fisher, Shellfish Constable.

Meeting called to order at 10:31am.

Review Minutes (3/11/20 and 10/16/20)

Mr. Vrooman motioned to approve the minutes from March 11, 2020 and October 16, 2020 seconded by Mr. Thornton. 3 Ayes, 2 abstains (Mr. Vrooman and Mr. Newsom).

Review FY22 Capital Requests

- Wastewater

There was a discussion between the committee, Patrick Hickey Wastewater facilities manager, and GHD engineers Marc Drainville and Anastasia Rudenko about the CWMP (Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan). The

engineers explained that although the CIP plan shows the next 4-5 years, the overall CWMP is a 20 year plan. The next step is to have a public meeting, which has been delayed due to COVID.

- Shellfish

The shellfish request for a new truck has been moved to the STM so the department was dismissed.

- Conservation

The department is requesting a Salt marsh assessment, explaining that nitrogen degrades the salt marshes. There is now a subcommittee of the Planning Board and Conservation Committee that has gotten together to address the salt marsh issues. There is also a request for the development of the mainstays basement floor, to winterize it and use as a community resource.

- Natural Resources

The department's only request for FY22 is for East Chop Bluff Stabilization, which they are waiting on a federal grant. The other CIP requests include funding for a study for Inkwell Beach project to add beach nourishment to the beach, (also looking for grant funding), the need to address Beach drainage for health and safety, and funding for the Engineering of Seawall structural issues.

Tasks

To set up the next meeting with Fire, Police, Library and Marina.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42am.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Blair, Office Administrator